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Sympathy for the rat

Bad rap. City officials call reports of attacks and recent invasion highly exaggerated

"Even squirrel bites are more common than rat bites," says George Matsumura, head of Toronto's rabies-control program.

Matsumura said he could "probably count on one hand the number of rat bites we've had" since he started in the public health department in 1978.

Even if all of those rat attacks had happened in 2013, a person would still be more than twice as likely to be struck by lightning that year than bitten by a rat.

The spectre was raised last week when a pest-control company reported that an army of rats fleeing construction at Union Station was invading downtown homes and businesses.

The company, which does not service Union Station, made its declaration after receiving "a lot more calls" from area residents and business owners.

But TTC spokesman Brad Ross said the agency hasn't noticed any more rats than usual, and the city's pest-control contractor, Orkin, actually reported a "slight decrease" in the number of rats around Union, said city spokeswoman Tammy Robbinson.

Residents have little to fear from their rodent neighbours, city officials say.

Toronto Public Health tracks dog, cat and raccoon bites and scratches, but not those of rats. They're almost non-existent, Matsumura said, and are counted in the same category as mice and gerbil attacks: "other."

It's rare to see people enjoying a sunny day in High Park while throwing bread to rats, Matsumura noted, which is how most squirrel bites occur.

In 2014, four people reported squirrel bites and one reported being scratched. Last year, 10 people reported bites, and no scratches — 0.4 per cent of the 2,450 animal-human encounter injuries reported last year.

There have been no cases of rabies in Toronto in at least 35 years, and no domestic animals carry the disease.

While Toronto does have rats, no one knows exactly how many.

Toronto has experienced rat infestations in the past. In summer of 1968, rats were "disgusting and terrorizing residents" near Bathurst Street and Steeles Avenue W.

"Housewives," the Toronto Daily Star reported, were particularly alarmed by the rats, who moved into the area after being disturbed by residential construction.

At the time, the city said the infestation "might be a little heavier this year," but was not unusual.

A "plague" of rats also infested three streets in North York in April 1968. Marnie Kates told media that mice in the area were "so bold they would watch television with her."

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Meek as mice

"Typically, they don't bother the public. They're shy and stay out of sight."

City spokeswoman Jackie DeSouza

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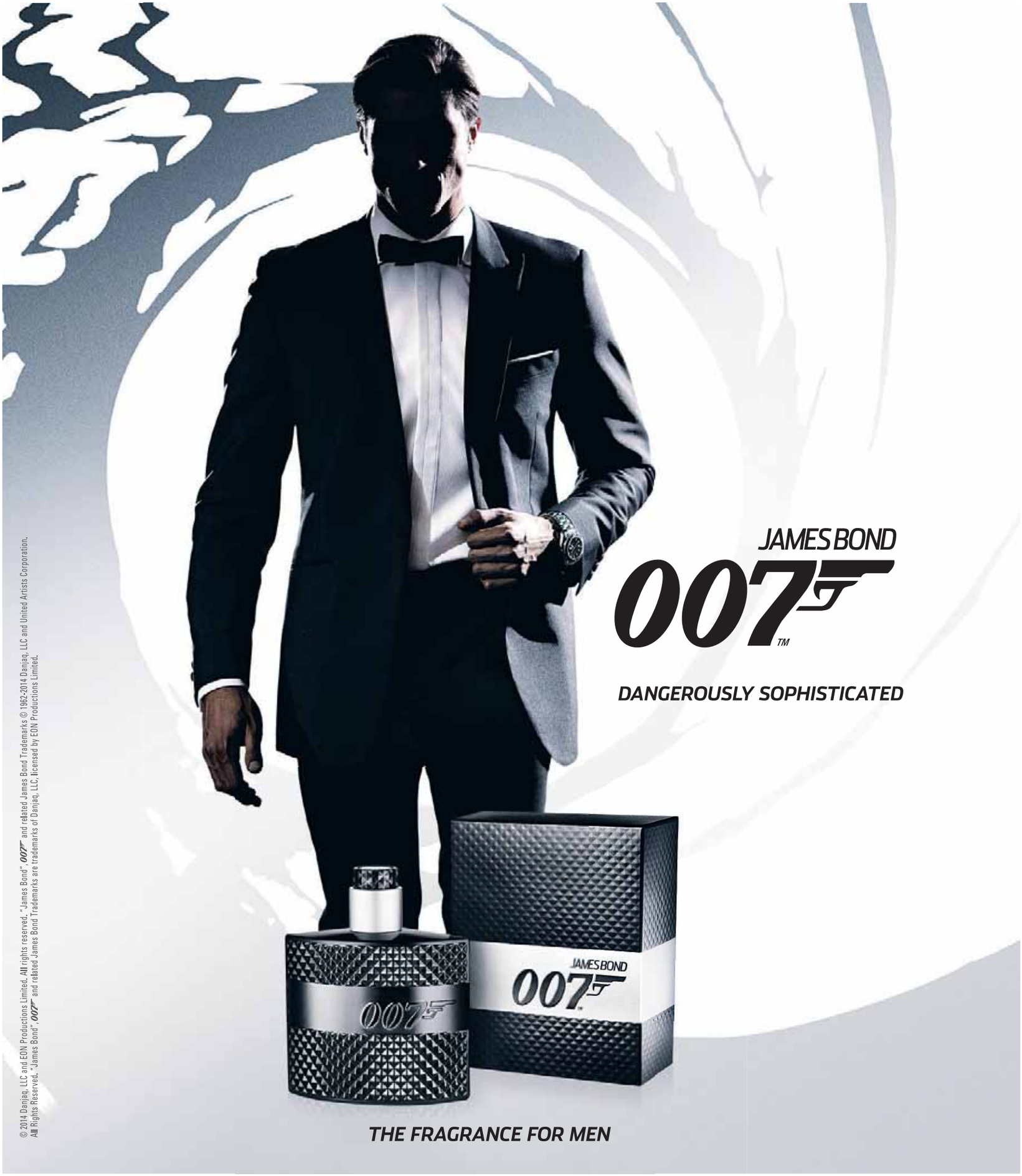

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Iran's 'blogfather' released from prison

Former Torontonian. Questions surround pardon of man who gave Iranians new voice

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The sudden pardon of a dissident Iranian-Canadian blogger with close ties to Toronto has some asking if the man who sparked a blogging revolution in Iran has become a "puppet" of the country's authoritarian regime.

Hossein Derakhshan was arrested in the Iranian capital of Tehran in 2008 on charges including spying, spreading propaganda and insulting religious figures. He was given a 19-year prison sentence but was pardoned Thursday by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

"I was released after six years.... Very grateful to the Ayatollah," he wrote on his Google+ page.

Derakhshan was born in Tehran, but immigrated to Toronto in 2000. In 2001, he created a popular piece of blogging software that allowed users to write in Farsi. The move ignited the Persian blogosphere and gave countless Iranians an outlet to express discontent with their government.

His release came as a surprise to many familiar with Derakhshan's case.

"At this point, no one other than Hossein knows exactly what happened," said Maryam Nayeb Yazdi, a Toronto-based human rights activist who has campaigned on behalf of political prisoners in Iran.

Derakhshan's impact, however, is clear.

"He opened the floodgates for the blogging world," she said. "He was writing in Persian and expressing himself and it gave other Iranians the confidence to do the same thing."

While his efforts earned Derakhshan the nickname "blogfather," they also made him a target. He returned to Tehran in 2008, on the heels of a high-profile visit to Israel, and was promptly arrested. The nearly 20-year sentence he received was the longest ever given to a dissident writer in Iran.

"In 2008, it was a very sensitive time in Iran in terms of Internet usage," said Nayeb Yazdi. "Blogging was a big threat to the regime. To capture Hossein was a big accomplishment, particularly in terms of the fear it inflicted on other bloggers."

Hossein Derakhshan posted this Google+ update saying he had been pardoned. SCREENSHOT

Hossein Derakhshan immigrated to Toronto in 2001 and was living here when he started igniting the Persian blogosphere. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

As to why Derakhshan was released after serving less than a third of his sentence, Nayeb Yazdi can only speculate. She said Derakhshan's family is reportedly close to Khamenei and may have lobbied on their son's behalf.

There's also the curious timing of the pardon, coming in the midst of nuclear talks between the U.S. and Iran.

"This is an opportunistic regime," Nayeb Yazdi said. "This is a perfect opportunity for them to use his release as a way to push the negotiations."

Concerns

"If he stays in Iran, the question is whether he'll become a puppet for the regime."

Maryam Nayeb Yazdi, Toronto human rights activist

Prior to his arrest, there were signs that Derakhshan's stance towards the Iranian government was softening. He had penned editorials in support of former president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, and there were even rumours he was co-operating with the regime while imprisoned.

That poses questions, Nayeb Yazdi said. "If he continues with his writing and blogging — which is how people know him — will he start writing in a very anti-Western way?"

Whatever Derakhshan's fate, Nayeb Yazdi doubts he'll return to Canada. Although the Canadian government issued statements expressing support for his plight, they refused to negotiate with Iran for his release.

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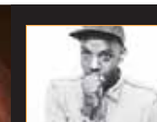
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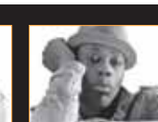
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Honouring Hazel McCallion

Tribute. University students set legendary Mississauga mayor's life to music

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Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion with students who performed She Shoots! She Scores! COURTESY UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Hazel McCallion is joining a list of high-profile figures whose lives have been immortalized through drama — and the sound of music.

A group of students at the University of Toronto Mississauga debuted a musical this week chronicling McCallion's life and times. Written by Patrick Young, artistic director at the school's Theatre Erindale, She Shoots! She Scores! is meant to be a tribute to the soon-retiring mayor.

"There was one purpose alone, and it was to say 'Thank you' to her for services rendered and her co-operation with the university," Young said.

During her tenure, McCallion advocated for the establishment of the university's Mississauga Academy of Medicine. She is also known to have encouraged councillors to support the campus's expansion.

It wasn't easy to condense McCallion's life into a 28-minute-long musical, Young said. They just had to choose a few episodes in her life to be reflected into the play.

"It's an account of her since her childhood in Gaspé, Que., her first job in business, getting married," he said. Of course, the play also delves into her life as a politician.

Eight students from the theatre and drama studies program performed the play at an event to celebrate her McCallion's legacy.

The 93-year-old mayor, who was at the event, was presented with a special bound edition of the play's script and a bouquet of flowers.

After a decades-long career in politics, McCallion will hand over mayoral powers to Bonnie Crombie, who won her seat in the Oct. 27 election. McCallion didn't seek re-election.

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"It's an account of her since her childhood in Gaspé, Que., her first job in business, getting married."

Patrick Young, artistic director, Theatre Erindale

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Ford bobbleheads up for grabs

A Rob Ford bobblehead
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Outgoing Toronto Mayor Rob Ford will be selling off the rest of his "Robbie Bobbie" bobbleheads on Friday.

Ford released a statement saying proceeds from the bobbleheads will be going to the two hospitals that have been treating him for cancer over the past two months.

He says supporters can buy the collectors' items at the mayor's office for $30 each with the net proceeds going to support the Humber River Hospital and Mount Sinai Hospital.

Previous sales of Ford bobbleheads have brought long lineups to city hall.

Doctors discovered a rare and aggressive cancer in Ford's abdomen in September and the scandal-plagued mayor dropped his bid for re-election shortly afterwards.

Ford's brother Doug Ford told local TV station CP24 on Thursday that the mayor is returning to hospital next week to undergo a fourth round of chemotherapy.

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Centre for Social Innovation members use string to illustrate how organizations can connect with each other during a summit. COURTESY CHRIS DEPAUL

Investing in innovation

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Co-working space offers bonds to make investing in social enterprise affordable

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Investing in innovative groups like the Toronto Tool Library and Toronto Fringe Festival has just become a lot cheaper.

For $1,000, anyone can buy a bond with a three per cent interest rate, and at the same time, help support hundreds of startups, non-profits and for-profit organizations seeking to make the city — and the world — a better place.

The Centre for Social Innovation — a co-working space for 800 companies and groups with a social mission — is selling the bonds to help pay for a new building it bought at 192 Spadina Ave.

To cover the cost, the centre is looking to raise $4.3 million by selling the bonds at three levels: $1,000 and up, $10,000 and up and $50,000 and up.

Just one month into the campaign, $1.7 million has already been raised, with 47 per cent of the bonds — 81 per cent of that money — coming from people who aren't centre members.

The $1,000 bonds will offer a return of about $77 when they mature in 2017 — not exactly a windfall for an investor. Nor are those bonds big money for the centre.

"It doesn't make a lot of financial sense necessarily one-off," admits Tonya Surman. "But there's nothing more magical than having your team and community able to actually become investors and co-owners of the kind of space that we're creating.

"When we think about what communities value, it's a way to put your money where your mouth is."

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Taxpayers billed for legal fees of guilty JPs

Total tab $220,000. Since 2009, five Ontario justices of the peace have had their legal bills picked up

Taxpayers are picking up the legal bills of justices of the peace disciplined for offences including sexual harassment, falling asleep in court and demonstrating a "pervasive" lack of understanding of basic law.

Four Ontario JPs were found guilty of judicial misconduct, while a fifth resigned before a hearing took place, Torstar News Service has found. Three were suspended by the Justices of the Peace Review Council, which has ruled on judicial complaints since 2007.

JP Errol Massiah was suspended for 10 days in 2012 after the council found he had sexually harassed female court staff. The public forked out $123,000 for his legal fees.

A second JP, Solange Guberman, resigned before a panel could rule on the litany of allegations against her. They included a "pervasive" lack of understanding of basic law, falling asleep in court, screaming at staff and calling them "stupid," relying on police officers and prosecutors for advice and speaking French when she was aware not all parties in the court could understand. Her legal tab of $36,000 was billed to the taxpayer.

Under the Constitution, JPs are guaranteed judicial independence, Ontario judicial registrar Marilyn King said.

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Complaints

- About 50 complaints a year are lodged against JPs, but most are dismissed because they relate to a disagreement with judicial decision-making, Ontario judicial registrar Marilyn King said.
- A legislation change in 2007 gave the council power to conduct hearings against JPs and to ask the attorney general to cover their legal costs. A spokesman for the AG told Torstar Thursday that the government paid the full recommended amount to all five disciplined JPs.

A flag honouring victims at the annual transgender day of remembrance was raised at city hall for the first time on Thursday.

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Transgender day. Flag raised despite protests

It almost didn't happen. First the multi-coloured flag was reportedly stolen, then there was a scuffle at the flagpole.

But facing biting winds on the podium roof of city hall, dozens including mayor-elect John Tory gathered on Thursday to witness the raising of a flag in remembrance of transgender people lost to violence, suicide and who are still missing. It was the first time a flag has been raised for the annual transgender day of remembrance at city hall.

The significance of Tory's attendance, despite not being the mayor quite yet, was not lost on organizers.

"It's a signal of better days ahead here in Toronto and at city hall," said former MPP George Smitherman.

"While I'm not yet the mayor of Toronto, I have been elected as the mayor of Toronto and I'm going to be the mayor of all the people," Tory told reporters later.

As the roof filled up for the ceremony, organizers from the Toronto Trans Alliance reported a theft of the flag they said was specially designed by the community for the event.

"They actually stole the flag that was voted by the community to be raised," said organizer Rocky Clarke, adding a group of protesters was believed to be involved.

Quoted

"They actually stole the flag that was voted by the community to be raised."

Organizer Rocky Clarke

A release passed out by the protesting group, also from the transgender community, argued the event was not properly inclusive and opposed raising a flag in "celebration" as "disrespectful" and "colonial." The group said the idea of raising a flag to half mast was disregarded by organizers.

Another flag was brought in, and led by Rev. Brent Hawkes, who served as grand marshal at this year's World-Pride Parade, the crowd had a moment of silence before it was raised just halfway.

As organizers moved to bring the flag higher, there was a physical skirmish between several people who shouted at each other about being disrespectful.

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Rogers family donates $130M for heart research

Dr. Michael Apkon, president and CEO of SickKids, at the donation announcement in Toronto on Thursday. HANDOUT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Health. New centre named after mogul Ted Rogers has already started its work

The Hospital for Sick Children, University Health Network and the University of Toronto have jointly announced the creation of a new centre for heart disease research, thanks to the biggest single donation in Canadian health-care history.

The money will come from the family of late media mogul Ted Rogers — who donated $130 million — matched by $139 million from the partners.

The Ted Rogers Centre for Heart Research, which will function largely as a virtual network, is already beginning its work and will continue to scale up operations as more researchers and clinicians are hired.

"There is already work underway at the University of Toronto, the University Hospital Network and SickKids as we're building out the centre," said Ted Garrard, president and CEO of Sick Kids Foundation.

Businessman Ted Rogers died at 75 of a heart condition in 2008. His support for giving back to the community was part of the family's motivation for the donation.

"(Rogers) spoke a lot ... about wanting to bring this back to Canada, and wanting to invest. Because we have some of the most spectacular doctors and researchers and nurses that this continent has seen," Martha Rogers said.

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TDSB. Tensions over pay, documents boiling over

The outgoing chair of Toronto's public school board will take her concerns to Education Minister Liz Sandals in a meeting next Wednesday morning, one requested amid tensions between trustees and its top bureaucrat.

Mari Rutka asked for the face-to-face meeting with Sandals after complaints from a few trustees about an alleged lack of access to documents.

The meeting comes in the final few days of Rutka's term as trustee and chair of the board ends, and just hours before the last meeting of the current board of trustees.

Among the issues Rutka is expected to raise is director of education Donna Quan's employment contract, which she is said to have wanted a copy of, but has felt frustrated in her efforts to obtain.

Quan, however, previously told Torstar News Service that she is willing to provide a copy if Rutka asks.

Some trustees have also raised questions about other contracts, though Quan told Torstar all the documentation requested has already been provided to the board.

Quan earns $289,000 a year, which is about $17,000 more than the previous director, Chris Spence, who left the board amid a plagiarism scandal almost two years ago.

The $289,000 is roughly what Spence's predecessor Gerry Connelly earned.

Former chair Chris Bolton said a staff error led Spence to be paid less, and that both men tried to get ministry approval to boost it closer to $289,000, but were rebuffed because of a wider public-sector salary freeze.

Bolton later wrote to the education minister asking about an appropriate salary for Quan, who officially became director more than a year ago and her response, which came in January of this year, said Quan should be paid the same as Spence.

Quan has said trustees viewed her contract in full at a meeting, debated it and made changes before she was approved as new director.

She said she's trying to bring about change to a "culture of fear" at the board by calling trustees out on inappropriate conduct, and that has led to strained relations with some of them.

Those tensions led Rutka to write the premier and Sandals, seeking a meeting.

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Donna Quan says trustees viewed her contract, debated it and made changes before she was approved as new director. LAURA KANE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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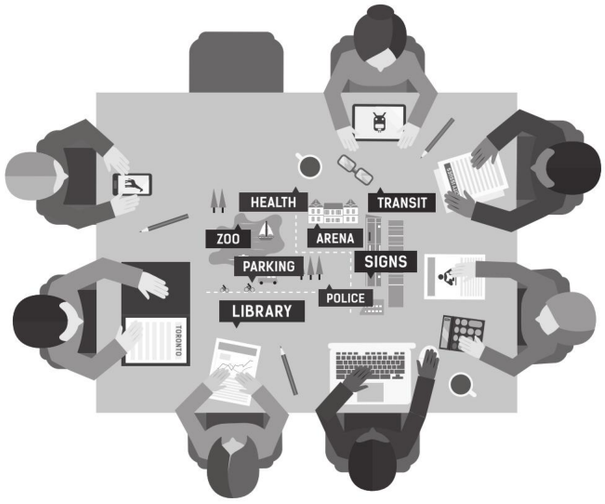

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T.O. ready for anything this winter, city says

'We're prepared.'
Chair of public works committee is confident snow-clearing fleet will do the job this year

Toronto is ready for a big dump of snow if the city gets hit with a major storm sooner than is typically expected, officials say.

"We're prepared this year for whatever happens," Coun. Denzil Minnan-Wong, chair of the public works committee, told the city's annual winter preparedness news conference Thursday.

After one of the harshest winters in recent memory, the city is confident its fleet of 600 road plows, 300 sidewalk plows and 200 salt trucks will keep the roads and sidewalks safe for the travelling public, he said.

The city's first priority is to keep the main roads clear for TTC and emergency vehicles, he said.

Denzil Minnan-Wong
RENE JOHNSTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

"Keeping people moving efficiently and effectively on our roads is our No. 1 priority."

As soon as the snow begins to fall, salt trucks head to the main roads and expressways before moving to local roads, he said, outlining the city's winter game plan.

When 2.5 centimetres has accumulated, the plowing begins on expressways; at five centimetres, plowing begins on arterial roads.

When the snow stops, and if accumulation has reached eight centimetres, local road plowing begins.

"We want to remind residents again it takes time to clear all the local streets," Minnan-Wong said, adding it takes between 14 and 16 hours to clear all the roads in the city. Residents should only call 311 with "urgent" winter-related calls — not to ask when their street will be plowed.

The city had a record 1,400 watermain breaks between January and May this year.

The city is currently spending $110 million to improve the water distribution system.

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TDSB moves to finalize deal over controversial dome

Central Tech. Trustees vote to recommend the board authorize a licence agreement with company working on the project

The Toronto District School Board has taken the first step toward finalizing a deal for the controversial seasonal dome to be erected at Central Technical high school.

Trustees on the finance committee voted Wednesday night to recommend the board authorize director of education Donna Quan to complete a licence agreement with Razor Management, the company that would build and manage the school's championship field and dome at Bathurst and Harbord.

Three trustees, including board chair Mari Rutka, voted in favour of the recommendation despite an open letter from the 11 incoming trustees asking for a deferral. The letter was spearheaded by trustee-elect Ausma Malik, who campaigned against the project in Ward 10, Trinity-Spadina.

The letter, sent to the board Monday, said the high turnover during the October municipal election — half of the trustees will be new — was a signal that voters were looking for change and that a decision should be delayed until after Dec. 1, when the new board is in place. "This election took place at a time where the TDSB was struggling for greater public credibility," it read.

Briony Glassco, who was appointed as a trustee after Chris Bolton resigned, countered that the outgoing board has just as much right to move forward on the deal. "We addressed whether we should defer" and give new trustees the option, said Glassco, "but all the trustees sitting in front of me were still elected, and they were rightfully elected.

"We know this down to our toes, and the new trustees have got the biggest learning curve you can imagine."

The field has been closed since soil testing that was required under the Razor deal revealed contamination.

The committee's decision needs to be approved by the outgoing board at its last meeting Nov. 26; also, Razor Management has already appealed the city's decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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At a glance

- The $6-million project includes a running track, FIFA-grade artificial turf and the dome, which would cover the massive field for four to five months a year. Students would use the field during school hours and Razor Management would rent it out on the evenings and weekends.
- The board built a similar dome at Monarch Park, but this project polarized community members and politicians alike.

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Unbarred. MacIntyre able to appear on CBC: Editor

Veteran CBC journalist Linden MacIntyre has not been barred from appearing on CBC News Network despite an internal memo to the contrary.

Jennifer Harwood, managing editor of CBC News Network, sent a memo to some staff late Wednesday stating that interviews with MacIntyre on the network this week had been cancelled.

The memo said the move came about because of MacIntyre's reported comments to the Globe and Mail comparing the workplace behaviour of The National host Peter Mansbridge to that of ousted Jian Ghomeshi, host of Q.

Harwood said Thursday that her memo was written in the heat of the moment.

She praised The Fifth Estate and said MacIntyre's final episode with the investigative program airing Friday was a powerful piece of journalism.

"While my feelings about the comments about Peter stand, I recognize that cancelling promotion of an important piece of journalism only hurts CBC News. That was never my goal, and our intention is to have Linden on CBC News Network tomorrow," she said in an emailed statement. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Linden MacIntyre

MacIntyre is retiring after spending 24 years as co-host of The Fifth Estate on CBC.

- **Departure.** He announced he was leaving to save the jobs of younger producers and to send a message about pending sweeping layoffs at the broadcaster.

Hardship. Youth have a tough time at 18: Survey

There's a tough time in everyone's life, and a new survey suggests it starts at age 18.

The poll from RBC reveals tough times for young people over 18, who are less happy and less optimistic than kids aged 10 to 17.

It's a "quarter-life crisis," RBC said, similar to the mid-life crisis that strikes an older generation.

The data came from the first RBC Kids Optimism Survey, which questioned nearly 2,400 Canadians aged 10 to 25.

While 95 per cent of people aged 14 to 17 said they were satisfied with their life, satisfaction dropped to 82 per cent among those aged 18 to 21, and 79 per cent among those aged 22 to 25.

There was the most negativity, and least positivity, in the 18-to-21 age group.

The survey said frequent feelings of happiness and laughter dropped 20 per cent among those aged 18 to 21.

In the same group, 19 per cent said they smiled less, while stress and worry increased by more than 30 per cent.

The RBC wants to help. Its Kids Pledge is a $100-million commitment over five years to help millions with programs designed to boost their well-being.

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Calgary

Cops charge man with stealing poppy fund donations

Calgary police have charged a man with eight counts of theft under $5,000 after a rash of poppy box thefts early this month.

Dwayne Shane Soroka, 31, was arrested near Lloydminster without incident Wednesday morning.

In total, there were 18 reported incidents of poppy boxes being stolen in Calgary, which was a concern for the poppy box fund organizers, who say it could be a record year for donations.

"I'm glad that he was caught," said Joey Bleviss, chief administrative officer for the Calgary Poppy Fund. "I'm hopeful he realizes the hardship that he could have put some people through."

Police aren't sure how much money was stolen from the boxes, but Bleviss believes it could be around $1,000.

He said, on average, each box brings in about $75, but with this year's spike in donations he is seeing boxes exceed the $100 mark.

HELEN PIKE/METRO IN CALGARY

Federal election ballots are ready to go, but are the parties?

An Elections Canada worker assembles election materials packages in Ottawa on Thursday in preparation for the 42nd federal General Election, tentatively set for Oct. 19, 2015. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Senators prepare push for aboriginal inquiry

Speaking for missing, murdered women. Liberal senators have ready-made legal arguments to force national examination

Quoted

"This is a way to press upon the government in a more efficient manner, so the government will have to defend its stance." Liberal Senator Serge Joyal

Former Liberals in the Senate are offering up ready-made legal arguments to anyone willing to take the federal government to court in order to force a national inquiry into missing and murdered aboriginal women and girls.

They say they are taking the legal route because Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservative government refuses to heed the calls of aboriginal groups, civil-liberty organizations and opposition parties to hold an inquiry.

"I think that there is no other choice than to go to court," said Sen. Serge Joyal, who wrote the legal argument.

"This is a way to press upon the government in a more efficient manner, so the government will have to defend its stance in court and be shamed by public opinion. That, I think, might compel the government to act, finally."

Joyal, a lawyer by training, cites sections of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, other legal cases and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples to buttress his argument for an inquiry.

Joyal and his Senate colleague Lillian Dyck are in the early stages of finding someone who will take the case to Federal Court.

But they say a court case will put pressure on the Conservative government to call an inquiry, something it has refused.

"It could be an aspect of shaming," Dyck said.

"It could also be alerting Canadians to the fact that there is an underlying right amongst aboriginal women to be protected. And therefore, it might also then somehow increase pressure in other ways."

The government's latest budget included a five-year, $25-million renewal of money aimed at stopping violence against aboriginal women.

Kellie Leitch, the minister for the status of women, said $8.6 million will be earmarked for community safety plans, $2.5 million for raising awareness, another $5 million on encouraging boys and men to denounce violence against women, and $7.5 million for victim services.

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'I've never seen this much riot gear': Paikin

A veteran journalist who witnessed the mass arrests during the G20 summit four years ago told a police disciplinary hearing Thursday that in his 32-year career he had never seen Toronto officers "kettle" peaceful protesters.

Steve Paikin, who hosts TVO's The Agenda, testified in a hearing for Supt. David (Mark) Fenton, the most senior police officer charged in the mass arrests during the meeting of global leaders.

Paikin told the judge that before the night of June 26, 2010, he had never seen police in riot gear box in protesters who didn't appear to threaten public safety.

"I've never seen this much riot gear, never seen the kind of hemming in that officers did this time," he said.

In the past, he said, police only intervened when protesters became "overly aggressive."

"Those were not the conditions on the night in question," he said, noting the crowd gathered outside a downtown hotel was sitting and chanting the words peaceful protest.

Fenton ordered officers to box in protesters in front of the hotel. More than 260 people were arrested and taken to a prisoner processing centre, which came under criticism for its deplorable conditions.

He has pleaded not guilty to a total of five charges of unlawful arrest and discreditable conduct arising out of two "kettling" incidents that occurred over the summit weekend.

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Top court to rule on Métis, non-status

Landmark case.
The court's eventual decision could vastly extend government jurisdiction to more Aboriginal Peoples

The question of whether the federal government has the same responsibility to the country's Métis and non-status Indians as it does to status Indians and Inuit has fallen to the Supreme Court of Canada.

The outcome of the case could vastly extend the federal government's jurisdiction to hundreds of thousands of Aboriginal Peoples.

Or it could overturn a historic victory.

On Thursday, the Supreme Court agreed to hear appeals from both sides in a case started 15 years ago by Métis leader Harry Daniels.

Legal battle continues

The Supreme Court also gave the Métis National Council, which is an intervenor to the case, more time to file its own response to the appeals.

- The council wanted the federal government to drop its appeal and start working out an agreement with the Métis people.

As usual, the court did not give reasons for its decision to hear the case.

The Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, along with several Métis and non-status Indians, took the federal government to court in 1999, alleging discrimination because they were not considered "Indians" under a section of the Constitution Act and thus have been denied rights.

Both the Métis and non-status Indians scored a major win last year when the Federal Court recognized them as "Indians" under the Constitution. The federal government appealed that ruling.

The Federal Court of Appeal upheld part of the decision.

"This is an important step in the long struggle begun by my predecessor as national chief of the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, Harry Daniels," Chief Betty Ann Lavallee said in a statement.

"The decision of the Court of Appeal was flawed in our view, as it drew an unhelpful distinction between the federal government's responsibility for non-status Indians and its responsibilities toward Métis peoples and status Indians."

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RCMP move in on anti-pipeline protest

RCMP cops take a protester into custody at an anti-pipeline demonstration in Burnaby, B.C., on Thursday. A small group of protesters chanted as the Mounties moved to end the demonstration. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Great Slave Lake

Seven people on plane in forced landing rescued

RCMP say the pilot and passengers on a small plane that made a forced landing Thursday in bad weather on the ice of Great Slave Lake have been rescued.

Cpl. Todd Scaplen said the seven were flown out by helicopters and no one appeared to be seriously hurt.

"All of the passengers have been airlifted to Yellowknife," Scaplen said.

The military said the Air Tindi Cessna 208 Caravan declared an emergency Thursday morning when its engine quit in icy conditions after leaving Yellowknife for Fort Simpson.

The plane landed about 40 kilometres west of the city on the north arm of the lake.

Air Tindi praised the pilot and the first responders.

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Obama's immigration plan aims to spare five million from deportation

Battle heats up.
President spurns Republicans with expansive changes to immigration in the U.S.

President Barack Obama is ordering far-reaching changes to the U.S. immigration system that will protect nearly five million people from deportation, testing the limits of his presidential powers and inviting a showdown with newly emboldened Republicans.

In a televised address Thursday night, Obama described the most sweeping changes to fractured immigration laws in nearly three decades, saying his executive actions were a "common-sense" plan consistent with what previous presidents of both parties had done. Immigrants living illegally in the United States would be saved from deportation by receiving work permits; millions more would remain in limbo.

Obama sought to break a stalemate in America's long-simmering debate over immigration by cutting out Congress, confronting Republicans who swept congressional elections earlier this month and ensuring that the contentious debate will carry on into the 2016 presidential campaign.

"To those members of Congress who question my authority to make our immigration system work better, or question the wisdom of me acting where Congress has failed, I have one answer: Pass a bill," Obama said.

Republicans, who take full control of Congress in January after capturing the Senate from Democrats, warned that Obama would face serious consequences for what they described as an unconstitutional power grab.

"The president will come to regret the chapter history writes if he does move forward," declared Sen. Mitch McConnell, the Republican who is soon to become the Senate majority leader, hours before Obama's speech.

Republicans were united in opposing his move but divided on how to respond. Lawmakers have raised options including lawsuits, a government shutdown and even impeachment. Party leaders are seeking to avoid a government shutdown, say such moves could backfire and anger voters ahead of the next presidential election in two years.

The White House says the president is exercising his executive authority to tackle immigration reform unilaterally, as Republicans Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush did before him.

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A new report reveals that the global cost of obesity is now $2 trillion US annually. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

First World problem.
Global annual cost of obesity $2 trillion

The global cost of obesity has risen to $2 trillion US annually — nearly as much as smoking or the combined impact of armed violence, war and terrorism, according to a new report released Thursday.

The McKinsey Global Institute consulting firm's report focused on the economics of obesity, putting it among the top three social programs generated by human beings. It puts its impact at 2.8 per cent of global gross domestic product.

"Obesity isn't just a health issue," one of the report's authors, Richard Dobbs, said in a podcast. "But it's a major economic and business challenge."

The company says 2.1 billion people — about 30 per cent of the global population — are overweight or obese, and that about 15 per cent of health care costs in developed economies are driven by it.

In emerging markets, as countries get richer, the rate of obesity rises to the same level as that found in more developed countries. The report offers the stark prediction that nearly half the world's adult population will be overweight or obese by 2030 should present trends continue.

"We are on an unfortunate trajectory," Dobbs told The Associated Press. "We have to act."

The report's authors argue that efforts to deal with obesity have been piecemeal until now, and that a systemic response is needed.

McKinsey says there's no single or simple solution to the problem, but global disagreement on how to move forward is hurting progress. The analysis is meant to offer a starting point on the elements of a possible strategy.

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A Tallahassee police officer talks to several students outside the Strozier library on the Florida State University campus where a shooting occurred Thursday. The gunman was shot and killed by police officers. MARK WALLHEISER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shooter was not 'normal': Police

Florida State University. Police have obtained a journal and videos of Myron May that detail his thoughts of being targeted for persecution

A Florida State University alumnus and attorney who shot three people at the school's library early Thursday believed the government was targeting him for persecution, detailing his thoughts in a journal and in videos detectives obtained, authorities said.

Officers fatally shot 31-year-old Myron May during an exchange outside the library at about 12:30 a.m.

May reloaded at least once and tried to enter the library, where 300 or more students were studying but was blocked by lobby security barriers that permit only students and staff inside, Tallahassee police Chief Michael DeLeo said.

"Based on our initial review of the documents and his videos and his postings, it's clear that Mr. May's sense of being and place in our community was not what most people would refer to as a normal," DeLeo said. "He had a sense of crisis and he was searching for something."

The shooting sent students scrambling for cover in the book aisles and barricading themselves in with desks amid screams from classmates.

One person is in critical condition and one is in good condition at a local hospital, while the third was released.

May's Facebook page shows he posted mostly Bible verses and links to conspiracy theories about the government reading people's minds.

According to a Las Cruces, N.M., police report last month, May was a subject of a harassment complaint after a former girlfriend called to report he came to her home uninvited and claimed police were bugging his house and car.

The report also said May recently quit his job and was on medication.

No charges were filed.

Abigail Taunton, who runs a foster home, told The Associated Press that May was staying at a guest house she owns. She said she had known him since he was about 14 and that he ran cross-country with her kids and stayed at her house a lot.

She said he lived with his grandmother after coming out of a "bad situation" with his parents.

"My heart's broken. In a million years I wouldn't have thought he'd do something like this." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"He had a sense of crisis and he was searching for something."

Tallahassee police Chief Michael DeLeo on Florida State University shooter Myron May.

Swedish appeals court

Detention order for Assange remains

A Swedish appeals court upheld the detention order on Julian Assange on Thursday, dismissing a challenge by the WikiLeaks founder who is wanted by prosecutors in an investigation of alleged sex crimes.

Confirming a ruling by a lower court, the Svea appeals court said there is no reason to lift the detention order just because it can't be enforced at the moment.

Assange has avoided being extradited to Sweden by taking shelter in the Ecuadorean Embassy in London since 2012.

The court also criticized the prosecutors, who have declined Assange's offer to be questioned in London, for not considering "alternative avenues" to move the investigation forward.

Assange hasn't been formally indicted in Sweden, but is wanted for questioning by police about allegations of sexual misconduct and rape involving two women he met during a visit to the Scandinavian country in 2010.

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Online security. Hackers targeted baby monitors, webcams and personal security cameras and uploaded the footage to a website

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That's among the simple manufacturer passwords that have been exploited to swipe personal video from computers in more than 100 countries, including Canada, and post the footage on a Russian website, according to Britain's information commission.

The hackers have been targeting baby monitors, webcams and personal security cameras, uploading the footage to a site authorities have declined to identify for fear of driving traffic its way.

A child playing in Bucheon, South Korea, and an empty crib in Absecon, N.J., are among the video images that have appeared on the website, Britain's Information Commissioner's Office said Thursday.

The hackers have posted footage from bedrooms, office buildings, shops, laundromats, stables and barns, the agency said.

Canada's Privacy Commissioner could not immediately say how many Canadians have been targeted, or how they have been affected, but spokeswoman Anne-Marie Hayden said the commission was trying to get the hacked images taken off the website.

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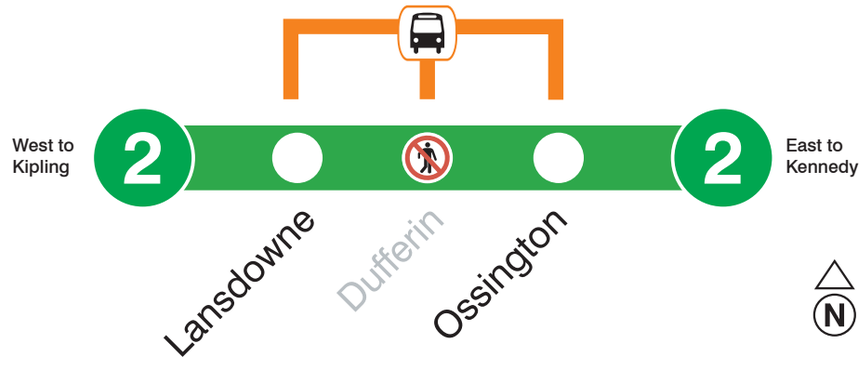

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Metro writer snags award

Columnist Matt Elliott, right, writer of Ford For Toronto, and Quin Parker, deputy digital national editor for Metro, are pictured after their second win in a row at the Canadian Online Publishing Awards. Matt Elliott's blog, which you can read at metronews.ca, won in a competitive field that included AOL and L'Actualité. METRO

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MEN'S RIGHTS ≠ MISOGYNY

In a country that often shines the spotlight on women's rights, is there a place for centres — like one opened this week in Toronto — dedicated to men's issues, or do their values run counter to feminism? Metro's Rosemary Westwood argues that gender rights can't exist without men in the conversation, even if they're advocating on their own behalf.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD
Metro in Toronto

No good will come of using men as props in the fight for gender equality.

That's why the city — and country — needs a men's centre.

The new Canadian Centre for Men and Families — which offers workshops, support groups and counselling for boys, men and fathers — has been criticized for allegedly misrepresenting itself and holding anti-feminist views. But a men's centre of some kind could provide exactly what feminists and women's advocates have been calling for: more people of both genders taking responsibility for inequality and seeking solutions.

Yes, men still have many of the hallmarks of privilege. They make more money than women. They are vastly overrepresented in politics and business. And yes, men are also in large part the perpetrators of violence (four times out of five, according to Statistics Canada).

But men are increasingly arguing that women aren't the only ones hurt by the gender divide. And they're right.

Current ideas of masculinity are toxic for both genders. The suicide rate for men is roughly three times that for women.

They face issues related to custody and divorce, as well as body image (boys as young as 10 are reportedly becoming obsessed with building muscles). Men are also about as likely as women to be the victims of violence.

And they can be victims of sexualized violence, too.

I'll even quote the infamous Warren Farrell, dubbed the father of the so-called men's rights movement, whose work is referenced by the Canadian Centre for Men and Families:

"We need to know not only why are our sons committing suicide, but also why are our sons much more likely to be the ones to shoot up schools?" he asked on NPR. "We're all in jeopardy if we don't pay attention to the cries of pain and isolation and alienation that are happening among our sons."

That's what makes groups such as WizeGuys so awesome. The sexual education group in Alberta sees men educating boys not just on their bodies, sexual health, and issues of consent, but also on how to build empathy and on "the connection between masculinity and male norms, sexuality and violence."

What if we had a national centre that housed the debate, research, policy-making and educational resources to open up that conversation?

Wouldn't that make men responsible for solutions to problems such as sexual violence — exactly what we feminists have been calling for?

Women's issues have (rightly) taken centre stage. But it's time to share the spotlight.

Fathers for Justice campaigners, dressed as Spider-Man and Batman, hold a sign saying "Stop War on Dads" on the roof of a politician's home in London, England. A new Canadian centre for men is trying to distance itself from more fringe elements in the men's rights movement. CATE GILLON/GETTY IMAGES

The other side

When the Canadian Centre for Men and Families opened in Toronto this week, it wasn't without controversy.

- Opponents worry groups like these bring together people with misogynistic beliefs who blame women and feminists for all of their problems.
- The Canadian Association for Equality (CAFE), for example, has been a magnet for controversy and a target for protest and criticism. It reached a peak in November 2012, when a talk by controversial author Warren Farrell was the scene of loud protests by about 100 people from feminist and left-wing groups.
- Critics have also accused the group of links to the website A Voice For Men, which is perceived as condoning violence. CAFE's director has denied any link.

Great expectations: When your tweets precede you

KATE CARRAWAY
Guest column

There's no better feeling than feeling known. It really is the warmest human pleasure, to be called out or identified or teased or even criticized in some way that demonstrates another person's sense of who — how — you are, for better or worse. "They just get me," we say about a new love or a friend or some other person who, not "as if" by magic, but really by magic, seems to understand us in the way we want and maybe even need to be understood.

That's why being known the wrong way is totally, singularly devastating: Being misunderstood by someone who thinks they really got it, but in fact was just making assumptions, or demonstrating their expectations, feels so much worse than being ignored.

It's so common, and so constant, though, because deciding that someone is some way based on a few easy, obvious, quick facts requires almost no effort of imagination or emotional labour.

I've found that acquaintances in real life and online — with good intentions and bad — feel just fine asking me way-too-personal questions because I'm a writer and have shared a lot about myself, both artificially and earnestly, in newspapers and magazines; it's as if I owe them some piece of my privacy.

I write often about relationships — but never mention who or if I'm dating — which has meant that readers assume it's chill to email me aggressively flirtatious stuff, because they assume I'm into it. (No.)

It's a particular kind of rudeness, really, that we just accept from each other, and it's actually getting to be a lot of people's problem, more and more, as social media establishes and asserts itself as a half-real part of our identities.

Using an online or social-media persona as a meaningful indication of someone else's life and brain and feelings is almost unavoidable — too easy, too obvious, too fast — when there is so much stuff there to go on, and so much of it apparently personal, apparently insistent. It's defensive, maybe: Let a Facebook page do the hard, confusing work of getting to know someone, of getting close, even if it means missing the point. See? Rude.

These great, stupid expectations are, more generally, life-ruiners: Almost every problem can be attributed to an assumption or an expectation, to thinking we're owed something, we deserve something, we're right about something. Or, someone. Being mistaken for the person I am in my writing or online has shown me on a near-constant basis how much people take for granted about each other, and in general.

As culture "flattens" beyond our obvious demographics and lifestyles, and our individual differences become more nuanced and acute, it should follow that we assume and expect less of each other, accept possibility and surprise, and let people reveal themselves slowly, subtly — and get to reveal ourselves, too.

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Games of prey go way back

Mockingjay, Part 1. Hunger Games' theme of humans hunting each other to entertain the rich and powerful is a well-worn premise in books and movies

Josh Hutcherson as Peeta and Jennifer Lawrence as Katniss star in Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1. CONTRIBUTED

Since the release of the first Hunger Games novel in 2008, literary sleuths have picked it apart, searching for connections to other books and films.

The scrutiny increased when the first film in the tetralogy set records for the biggest opening weekend for a non-sequel in 2013, and continues unabated with the release of this weekend's The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1.

Based on Suzanne Collins's mega-successful series, the movies are set in a dystopian world ruled by a fascist-style president (Donald Sutherland) who presides over The Hunger Games, a televised battle-to-the-death between 24 young players, two from each of the country's districts, including Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence) and Peeta Mellark (Josh Hutcherson).

The series draws on things we've seen before, in everything from the human sacrifices of Greek mythology or Survivor-style television shows to news stories of government corruption to create a world with its own rules, style and customs.

The most often-cited influence is Battle Royale, a 2000 Japanese movie based on a book by Koushun Takami. Like The Hunger Games, it's a story of school kids in a televised government-sanctioned death match.

Battle Royale's DVD box set even included a quote from a critic suggesting there'd be no Hunger Games without the Japanese film. "This is the movie that started it all," it reads.

Hunger fans were quick to point out differences in the two films.

The Japanese movie is about survival, they said, while Collins wrote about revolution. The author revealed her main influences were reality television and the Iraq war.

"I had never heard of that book or that author until my book was turned in," she told the New York Times.

It's worth noting that the idea of humans being preyed upon for the entertainment of the upper classes dates back at least as far as 1932's The Most Dangerous Game.

The story of a big-game hunter who tracks humans for sport on an isolated island is based on a Richard Connell short story that also loosely inspired episodes of everything from Gilligan's Island to Lost in Space.

Since then, Norman Jewison's Rollerball, Roger Corman's Deathrace 2000 (and its 2008 Jason Statham remake) and The Running Man have mined similar territory.

As for the author who wrote Battle Royale, he gave ABC News a very diplomatic answer when asked about the similarities between the two stories.

"I think every novel has something to offer," he said.

"If readers find value in either book, that's all an author can ask for."

In Review

RICHARD CROUSE

The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1

Directors. Francis Lawrence

Stars. Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson

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Mockingjay, Part 1 ups the stakes considerably from the last film in the series, putting several big ideas into motion. The cinematic world created in the first two movies is about to change in very dramatic ways, and this movie prepares viewers for the revolution that will try to unify the districts against the evil President Snow (Donald Sutherland). Katniss (Jennifer Lawrence) looks suitably concerned throughout and there are several effectively staged action scenes. But despite fine performances from Lawrence, Julianne Moore and Phillip Seymour Hoffman, and lessons in mass-produced anarchy, it occasionally feels padded, like a place holder for next year's series finale.

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Western/Drama

The Homesman

Director. Tommy Lee Jones

Stars. Tommy Lee Jones, Hilary Swank

When three women living on the edge of the American frontier are driven mad by harsh pioneer life, the task of saving them falls to the pious, independent-minded Mary Bee Cuddy (Hilary Swank). Transporting the women by covered wagon to Iowa, she soon realizes just how daunting the journey will be, and employs a low-life drifter, George Briggs (Tommy Lee Jones), to join her.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 77% **Audience:** 51%

Documentary

Point and Shoot

Director. Marshall Curry

Stars. Matthew VanDyke

Winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the 2014 Tribeca Film Festival, Point and Shoot chronicles the journey of Matthew VanDyke, a timid 27-year-old who leaves his home in Baltimore and sets off on a self-described "crash course in manhood" through the Middle East. The film begins in 2007, when VanDyke, armed with a video camera, embarks on a 35,000-mile motorcycle trip through Northern Africa and the Middle East.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 71% **Audience:** 75%

Drama

Low Down

Director. Jeff Preiss

Stars. John Hawkes, Elle Fanning

Based on the memoir by Amy-Jo Albany, Low Down is a compassionate, tender look at the complex relationship between Amy-Jo (Elle Fanning) and her father Joe (John Hawkes), a man torn between his musical ambition, his devotion to his teenage daughter, and his suffocating heroin addiction.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 36% **Audience:** 29%

Sci-Fi & Adventure

Interstellar

Director. Christopher Nolan

Stars. Matthew McConaughey, Anne Hathaway, Jessica Chastain

With our time on Earth coming to an end, a team of explorers undertakes the most important mission in human history; travelling beyond this galaxy to discover whether mankind has a future among the stars.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 73% **Audience:** 87%

Drama

The Theory of Everything

Director. James Marsh

Stars. Eddie Redmayne, Felicity Jones

Starring Eddie Redmayne (Les Misérables) and Felicity Jones (The Amazing Spider-Man 2), this is the extraordinary story of one of the world's greatest living minds, the renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking, who falls deeply in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 81% **Audience:** 83%

Comedy

Dumb and Dumber To

Director. J.B. Rogers, Bobby Farrelly

Stars. Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels

Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels reprise their signature roles as Lloyd and Harry in the sequel to the smash hit that took the physical comedy and kicked it in the nuts: Dumb and Dumber To. The original film's directors, Peter and Bobby Farrelly, take Lloyd and Harry on a road trip to find a child Harry never knew he had.

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It was a cruel summer at the box office — but why?

Ticket sales. Record-low revenues have been blamed on fewer big films, binge-watching TV

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Words like "disappointing" and "dismal" among others beginning with the letter "d" have been used to describe the summer's box office yield.

In movieland, the summer season is defined as the first Friday in May through Labour Day Weekend, a period that, this passed summer, saw box office revenues fall to an eight-year low, down 15 per cent from 2013, according to recently released stats.

There were some very big hits — Guardians of the Galaxy, and Transformers: Age of Extinction — but even their multi-million dollar grosses weren't enough to compete with last year's $4.75 billion overall take.

"We've seen this before," says Michael Kennedy, executive vice president, filmed entertainment at Cineplex. "Right now, everybody's binging. After a while they will get tired of binge-watching TV and say, 'I'm really tired of being in my house. I want to go out.'"

Kennedy adds that the summer slump could also be attributed to several high-profile absences.

"Pixar was originally scheduled to go in the summer with a film that got moved back, and Fast and Furious was supposed to go but after Paul Walker's accident they moved the movie back and nobody replaced it. One or two movies move and millions disappear."

So how does it work? How do studios and distributors determine a release schedule? Danish Vahidy, Mongrel Media's director of marketing, says studios put "down the tent pole for flagship properties one, two or sometimes three years in advance. With the success of sequels, studios feel more secure planning in advance for franchises rather than an unknown entity."

That means the wannabe blockbusters from this summer — the X-Men, Godzilla and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles et al — probably had release dates attached to them before Prince William walked Catherine Middleton down the aisle.

Despite some massive openings, this summer saw box-office ticket sales tumble to an eight-year low. ISTOCK

Kennedy says counterprogramming is one of the keys.

"They look at what everybody else does and if they see a Fast and Furious sitting on the second week of July and they have an action movie, they're staying away from that weekend."

Mongrel Media took a risk and counterprogrammed a movie that went on to become one of their biggest hits of the summer. "Boyhood was released in July as the summertime nicely captured the notion of childhood set in the film," Vahidy says.

"It was also a great way to counter program with the Hollywood blockbusters and offer movie goers a smart original film as an option."

The critically acclaimed film was aimed at a different audience than the other two big releases that week, Disney's kid friendly Planes and the raunchy Cameron Diaz comedy Sex Tape.

"That move paid off for us as Boyhood is one of our most successful releases ever with a theatrical box-office of over $2.3 million in Canada and growing."

So why didn't it work for the big releases this summer? Suggested reasons for the downturn range from a lack of family movies, which traditionally pull in big numbers, too many sequels and superhero movies and even divided attention from the World Cup.

Kennedy adds one more reason: "Everybody has busy lives," he says.

"The one thing we've always found is that people always come back. It's not the price of the movie ticket or the popcorn — it's putting aside the time to go. People want to go out and we offer the most affordable out-of-home experience there is."

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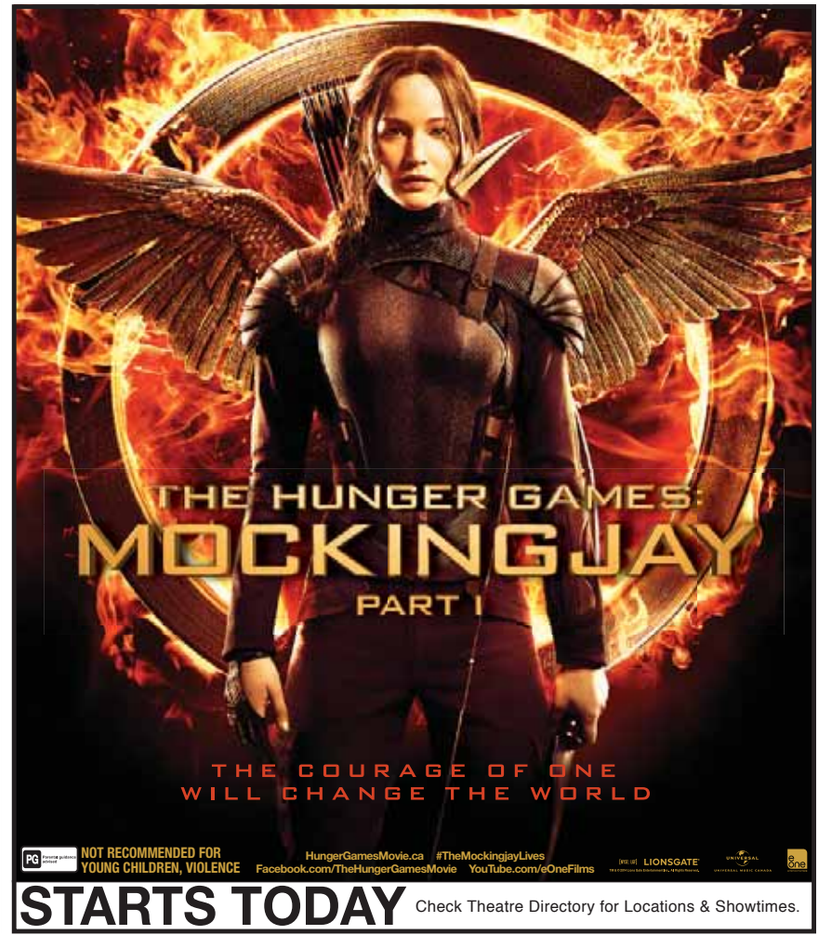

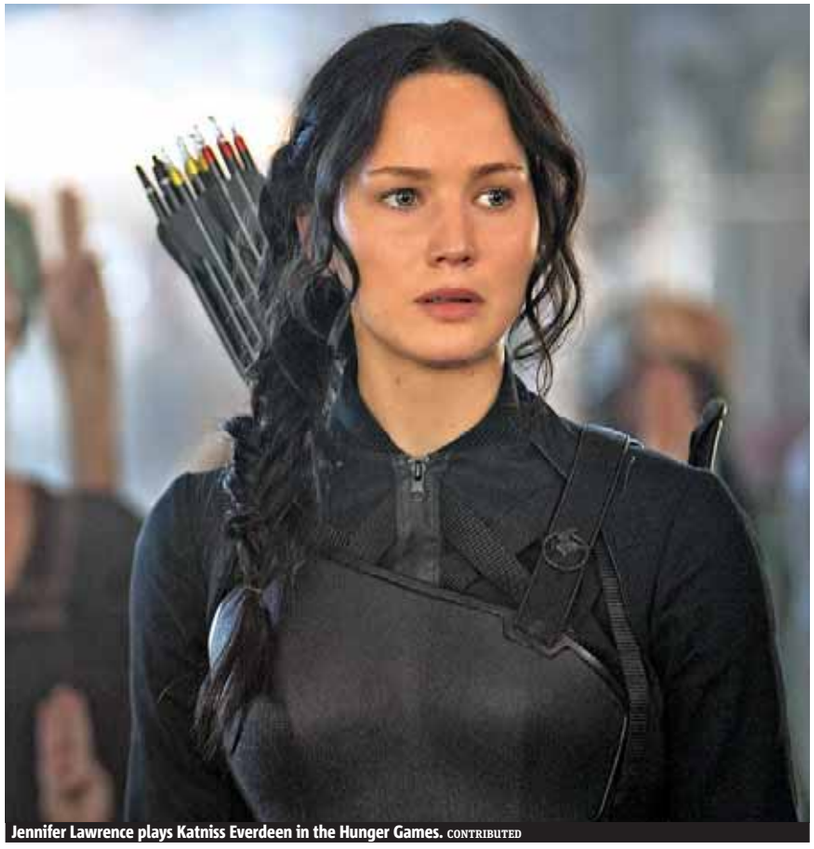
Jennifer Lawrence plays Katniss Everdeen in the Hunger Games. CONTRIBUTED

A role model without ego, both on and off the screen

Jennifer Lawrence. Like her character, Hunger Games star remains humble about being in the spotlight

MATT PRIGGE
Metro World News in New York City

Jennifer Lawrence is an unusual kind of shy. She's clearly uncomfortable with praise, especially fake praise, and is the first person to make fun of herself. At the same time she's not hesitant, even enthusiastic, about sharing her self-deprecation.

It's a shtick, but a sincere shtick, if one she's gotten better at controlling.

But she can still be a loose cannon. One minute she'll be goofily oversharing about a time they shot a scene in a pretty meadow ("I got a selfie of me peeing in it!"). The next she's cryptically honest: "It's certainly a blessed life. But there are also sacrifices. I get to do what I love, but there's a downside to every job."

At a recent media event with other Hunger Games actors, Lawrence gets the most questions, even ones she's not totally comfortable fielding. She's asked about the politics of the series, especially the depiction of revolution from within the rebel bunker, led by the vaguely sinister President Coin.

"Katniss is representing the consequences of war," she says. "It's not that she doesn't believe in what President Coin wants. It's not that she doesn't believe the Capitol is a terrible government that's only good for the 1 per cent. But war is complicated. It affects everyone on both sides. There's no right way to start or end a war. I don't know."

Another cast member, Natalie Dormer, tries to summarize Lawrence's world view.

"Jen was saying that Katniss doesn't have any ego. Neither does Jennifer Lawrence," Dormer says. "Jen has a reputation as a role model. So does Katniss Everdeen. But (Lawrence) can't comment on that reputation herself, because by her very nature, she wouldn't."

Friends for real

Jennifer Lawrence says the Hunger Games cast and crew are like family, and her best friends are fellow stars Josh Hutcherson, who plays Peeta, and Liam Hemsworth, who plays Gale.

"I would never have expected to have a man this good-looking be my best friend," she says about Hemsworth. "He taught me how to be fair and to stand up for myself. My biggest weakness is negotiating with people. I'm a wimp about standing up for myself. He's really good at making sure everything stays fair. I used to let people walk all over me. He taught me to toughen up."

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Remembering Mike Nichols

Mike Nichols — a director of matchless versatility who brought fierce wit, caustic social commentary and wicked absurdity to film, TV and stage hits — has died at 83. Married to ABC's Diane Sawyer, he started as a standup performer in a groundbreaking comedy duo with Elaine May, and went on to a career that spanned more than 50 years, winning an Academy Award, a Grammy and multiple Tony and Emmy honours. Nichols had a remarkable gift for mixing edgy humour and dusky drama. Here are five things he will be most remembered for:

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Angels in America

The 2003 TV miniseries adapted from the stage sensation, blended rich pathos and whimsy in its portrait of people coping with AIDS and looking to the heavens for compassion they found lacking in Ronald Reagan's 1980s America. Nichols won directing Emmys for Angels in America Parts 1 and 2.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf

Nichols' 1966 film directing debut unforgettably captured the vicious yet sparkling and sly dialogue of Edward Albee's play, as a couple (Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor) torment each other over deep-seated guilt and resentment.

The Graduate

Nichols won the best-director Oscar for 1967's The Graduate, which co-starred Anne Bancroft as an aging temptress pursuing Dustin Hoffman, whose character responds with the celebrated line, "Mrs. Robinson, you're trying to seduce me."

Big-name collaborations

Nichols often collaborated with Jack Nicholson, Meryl Streep and Emma Thompson. Other stars who worked with Nichols included Al Pacino (Angels in America), Gene Hackman and Robin Williams (The Birdcage), Harrison Ford, Melanie Griffith and Sigourney Weaver (Working Girl) and Julia Roberts (Closer). In 2007, Nichols brought out Charlie Wilson's War, starring Tom Hanks and Julia Roberts.

His Broadway work

On Broadway, he won nine Tonys, for directing the plays Barefoot in the Park (1964), Luv and The Odd Couple (1965), Plaza Suite (1968), The Prisoner of Second Avenue (1972), The Real Thing (1984), and Arthur Miller's Death of a Salesman (2012). He has also won in other categories, for directing the musical Monty Python's Spamalot (2005), and for producing Annie (1977) and The Real Thing (1984).

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Hermitage Revealed (STC) Fri 3:30-6:30 Sat 1-6:45 Sun 4 Mon 1-6:30 Wed 6:30 Thu 2:30
Keep on Keepin' On (PG) Sat 4 Sun 6:30 Tue-Wed 4
Point and Shoot (PG) Fri-Sat 8:45 Sun 1:30-8:45 Mon 8:45 Tue 9:30 Wed 8:45
Vladimir Horowitz: The Last Romantic (STC) Tue 6:30

Carlton, 20 Carlton St.

Amnesty International Reel Awareness Human Rights Film Festival (STC) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-3:30-6-8
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Little Terrors Horror Shorts (STC) Wed 9
Low Down (STC) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:05-7-9:30
Metalhead (14A) Fri-Thu 3:35-9
Nightcrawler (14A) Fri-Tue 1:15-3:45-6:50-9:25 Wed-Thu 3:45-9:25
One Chance (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-6:40
Wildsound Feedback Festival (STC) Thu 7
Wolves (14A) Fri 4:15-9:30 Mon-Tue 4:15-9:30 Wed 4:15 Thu 4:15-9:30

Scotiabank Theatre
259 Richmond St. W.

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Ernest et CÉlestine (PG) Sat 4
The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Mon 9:30 Tue 7
Love Is Strange (14A) Thu 9:30
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The Royal
608 College St..

European Union Film Festival (STC) Fri-Thu 6-8:30

Varsity
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Canada Square
2200 Yonge St.

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (PG) Fri 5-7-9:10 Sat-Sun 1-3-5-7-9:10 Mon-Thu 5:30-7:30
Fury (14A) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 5-8
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675 Mt.Pleasant Rd.

Magic in the Moonlight (PG) Fri-Sat 7-9 Sun 4:30-7 Wed-Thu 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon-Tue

Regent Theatre
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd.

Boyhood (14A) Fri-Sat 6:30 Sun 3:45
Force Majeure (14A) Fri 9:30 Sat 4-9:30 Sun 7 Tue 7
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Yonge-Eglinton Centre
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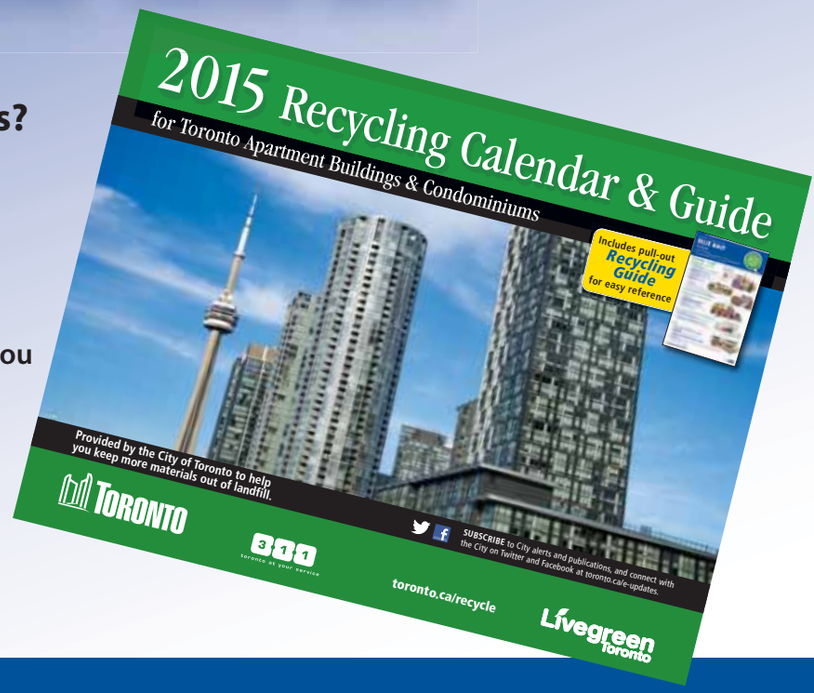
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St. Vincent (14A) Fri 1-4 Sat 4:50

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The Best of Me (PG) Fri-Tue 10:40
Beyond the Lights (14A) Fri 2:40-5:25-8:10-10:55 Sat-Sun 12-2:40-5:25-8:10-10:55 Mon-Thu 8:10-10:55
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The Book of Life (G) Fri 2:20-8:05 Sat-Sun 12:05-8:05 Mon-Tue 2:20-8:05
The Dark Knight (14A) Fri 2-7:30 Sat 9 Mon 10:15 Tue 10:30 Wed 7:45 Thu 2
Dear White People (14A) Fri 3:15-6:10-8:45-11:25 Sat 12:35-3:15-6:10-8:45-11:30 Sun 12:10-2:45-5:20-8-10:30 Mon-Tue 1:50-4:25-7:20-10:35 Wed-Thu 1:50-4:25-8:20-10:55
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Fury: The IMAX Experience (14A) Fri 1:45-4:45-7:50-11 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:50-11 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:50-11
Guardians of the Galaxy (PG) Fri 5:15-10:25 Sat-Sun 2:25-5:15-10:25 Mon-Tue 5:15-10:25
Happy Ending (STC) Fri 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:50-7:50-10:50 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:50-10:50
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Women Who Flirt (PG) Wed-Thu 1:40-4:05-6:25-8:45-11:05
WWE Survivor Series - 2014 (STC) Sun 8

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Adieu au Langage (18A) Fri 3:30-5:30 Sat 12-5:30 Sun-Mon 6:45 Tue-Thu 12:20-2:15-5:30
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Duel in the Sun (PG) Sat 1
For Ever Mozart (14A) Thu 6:30
Force Majeure (14A) Fri 12:10-6:45 Sat 3:30-6:30 Sun 12:30-3:10-6:30-9:25 Mon 6:30 Tue 1-3:40-6:30 Wed 1-3:45-6:30-9:05 Thu 1-3:40-6:20
Godard Shorts Program 1 (14A) Sun 4
High Anxiety (PG) Sat 10
Histoire(s) du Cinema (18A) Sat 4
History of the World: Part I (14A) Thu 8:45
Lolita (14A) Sun 6:30
The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance (PG) Sun 1
Maps to the Stars (18A) Fri 9:30 Sat 1-9:15 Sun 8:30-9:10 Mon 9:30 Tue 3:30-9:20 Wed 12:45-3:15-8:30 Thu 3:30-9:10
Numero Deux (R) Fri 6:30
Reality Bites (PG) Fri 9:15
Room 237 (14A) Tue 6:30
Rosewater (14A) Fri 2:45-7-9:20 Sat 12:15-3:50-6:45-9:35 Sun 12-3-7:10-9:35 Mon 8:30 Tue 12:30-2:45-7-9:30 Wed 12:30-2:45-5:45-7-9:15 Thu 12:30-2:45-6:45-9
The Shining (14A) Tue 9

Albion Cinemas
1530 Albion Rd.

Chaar Sahibzaade (PG) Fri 4-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:20-4-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-6:45-9:30
Happy Ending (STC) Fri 9:30 Sat-Sun 4-9:30 Mon-Thu 9:30
Happy Go Lucky (STC) Fri-Thu 6:45
Kill Dil (PG) Fri 4 Sat-Sun 1:20 Mon-Thu 4

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Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 12:10-3:10-6:10-9:05 Sat 11:05-1:45-4:35-7:15-10 Sun-Thu 12:10-3:10-6:10-9:05
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri 1:10-4:10-7:10-10 Sat 12:05-2:45-5:25-8:05-10:45 Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:55
Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance) (14A) Fri-Sun 12:30 Mon-Tue 12:20
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 12-2:30-3-5:20-6-8:10-8:50-11 Sat 1:55-2:30-5:20-6-8:10-8:50-11 Sun 12:05-1-3:55-5:20-6:40-8:10-9:30-11 Mon 12:25-12:55-3:40-3:50-6:35-6:40-9:15-10:20 Tue 12:45-12:55-3:40-3:50-6:35-7-9:15-10:20 Wed 12:45-3:40-3:50-6:35-7:15-9:15-10:20 Thu 12:45-12:55-3:40-3:50-6:35-7:15-9:15-10:35 Fri 3-6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 12-3-6:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 3-6:30-9:20
Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Fury (14A) Fri-Sat 3:25-6:40-10:05 Sun 3:25-6:35 Mon 3:25-9:40 Tue 3:25-6:40-9:45
Gone Girl (14A) Fri 3:35-7-10:35 Sat 3:30-7-10:35 Sun 12-3:30-7-10:35 Mon 1:20-5-9:30 Tue 1:20-5-8:30 Wed 3:35-6:40-9:45 Thu 3:25-6:40-9:45 Fri-Tue 2:30-6-9:50
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:50-3:55-6:50-9:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 2:50-6-9
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri 12:20-12:50-3:20-3:50-6:20-6:50-9:20-9:50 No Passes Sat 12:25-12:55-3:20-3:50-6:20-6:50-9:20-9:50 No Passes Sun 12:20-12:50-3:20-3:50-6:20-6:50-9:20-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 12-12:30-3-3:30-6-6:30-9-9:30 No Passes Fri 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Sat 11-1:55-4:55-7:50-10:50 No Passes Sun 1:55-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Fri 3:40-4:20-7-7:40-10:20-11 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-1-3:40-4:20-7-7:40-10:20-11 No Passes Mon-Tue 3:40-4:20-7-7:40-10:20-11 No Passes Wed 3:40-4:20-7-7:40-10:20-10:50 No Passes Thu 3:40-4:20-7-7:40-10:20-11 No Passes Fri 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Sat 1:30-4:25-7:25-10:25 No Passes Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Mon-Tue 1-4-7-10 No Passes Wed 1:05-4-7-10 No Passes Thu 1-4-7-10
Interstellar (PG) Fri 1-2-5-6:30-9-10:30 Sat 11:15-1-3:10-5-7:10-9-11:05 Sun 12:40-2-4:30-5:55-8:25-9:55 Mon-Wed 1:45-2:35-5:30-6:20-9:20-10:15 Thu 1:45-2:35-5:30-6:20-9:20-10:20 Fri-Wed 2-6-9:50 Thu 2-9:50
John Wick (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10
Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (G) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (STC) Sat 12:55
National Theater Live: Of Mice and Men - Encore (STC) Sun 12:55 Mon 7
Nightcrawler (14A) Fri 2:05-4:55-8-10:55 Sat 4:55-8-10:55 Sun 2:55-9:40 Mon-Tue 1:25-4:20-7:20-10:05
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:20-2:50-5:20-8-10:30
St. Vincent (14A) Fri 2:15-4:45-7:30 Sat 4:45-7:30 Sun 2:15-4:45-7:30 Mon-Wed 2:15-4:45-7:25 Thu 2:15-4:45
The Theory of Everything (PG) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:40 Sun 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:30 Mon-Tue 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:30 Wed 4:20-7:20-10:05 Thu 1:25-4:20-7:20-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
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Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-7-9:30
The Book of Life (G) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:50
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Interstellar (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:30-8
John Wick (14A) Fri-Tue 6:50
Nightcrawler (14A) Fri-Tue 9:20
Ouija (14A) Fri-Tue 1:15-4:10-7:05-9:40
Penguins of Madagascar (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:05-9:20

Kingsway Theatre
3030 Bloor St. West

The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared (14A) Fri-Thu 3:30
Boyhood (14A) Fri-Thu 9:05
Force Majeure (14A) Fri-Thu 5-9:05
The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG) Fri-Thu 11:15
My Old Lady (PG) Fri-Thu 3:15-7:15
The Overnighters (PG) Fri 1:45 Sun 1:45 Tue 1:45 Thu 1:45
Pet Sematary (STC) Fri-Sat 11
Pride (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25
Rosewater (14A) Fri-Thu 5:30
The Secret Trial 5 (PG) Sat 1:45 Mon 1:45 Wed 1:45
The Two Faces of January (PG) Fri-Thu 12
Whiplash (14A) Fri-Thu 7:15

Humber Cinema
2442 Bloor St. West

Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 3:50-6:40-9:50 Sat-Mon 1:15-3:50-6:40-9:50 Tue 3:50-6:40-9:50
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 4:15-6:50-9:25 Sat-Mon 1:45-4:15-6:50-9:25 Tue-Thu 4:15-6:50-9:25
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) Wed-Thu 4-7:30-9:55
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) Fri 3:40-7-9:40 Sat-Sun 1-3:40-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-7-9:40 Mon 1
Interstellar (PG) Fri 6:30-9 Sat-Mon 1:30-6:30-9 Tue 6:30-9
Penguins of Madagascar (G) Wed-Thu 3:10-5:20-6:40-9

Beach Cinemas
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Big Hero 6 (PG) Sat-Sun 12
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri 4:15-7:50-10:20 Sat-Sun 2:40-5:15-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 7:50-10:20
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 3:45-7:15-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:45-7:15-9:50 Mon-Tue 7:15-9:50 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:50
Gone Girl (14A) Fri-Tue 6:45-10:30
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 6:50-9:30
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri 4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:40 No Passes Mon-Tue 7-7:30-10-10:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 7-7:30-10-10:30
Interstellar (PG) Fri 6:30-10:10 Sat-Sun 2:50-6:30-10:10 Mon-Tue 6:30-10:10
The Metropolitan Opera: Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (STC) Sat 12:55
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 6:40-9
St. Vincent (14A) Fri 3:30 Sun 12:30-3:30

Fox Theatre
2236 Queen St. E.

Guardians of the Galaxy 3D (PG) Sat-Sun 1:30
The Judge (14A) Fri 6:45 Sat 4-9:30 Sun 4-6:45 Mon 6:45 Tue-Wed 9:30 Thu 6:45
Love Is Strange (14A) Fri 9:30
Mommy (14A) Sun-Mon 9:30 Tue 6:45 Thu 9:30

Empress Walk
5095 Yonge St.,

Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 1-3:40-6:30-9:10 Mon-Tue 3:40-6:35-9:10 Wed-Thu 4:30
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri 1:45-4:30-7:15-10 Sat 11:10-1:45-4:30-7:15-10 Sun 1:45-4:30-7:15-10 Mon-Tue 4:30-7:15-10 Wed-Thu 7:15-10
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 2:40-5:20-8-10:35 Sat 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:35 Sun 2:40-5:20-8-10:35 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:10-9:50
Gone Girl (14A) Fri 4:20-10:15 Sat 10:15 Sun 4-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:50-9:35
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 3:30-7:30-10:15
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:40 No Passes Sat 11-12:20-1:40-3:20-4:40-7:40-10:40 No Passes Sun 12:30-1:05-1:40-3:20-4:05-4:40-6:20-7:05-7:40-9:20-10:05-10:40 No Passes Mon 3:20-4:20-5-6:20-7:20-8-9:20-10:20 No Passes Tue 3:20-4:20-6:20-7:20-9:20-10:20 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:20-5-7:20-8-10:20 No Passes Fri 3:20-4:05-6:20-7:05-9:20-10:05 No Passes Sat 1:05-4:05-6:20-7:05-9:20-10:05 No Passes Tue 5-8
Interstellar (PG) Fri 2:30-6:10-9:45 Sat 6:05-9:40 Sun 12:25-4:15-7:55 Mon-Thu 4-7:45
Interstellar: The IMAX Experience (PG) Fri 3:30-7:10-10:45 Sat 11:50-3:30-7:10-10:45 Sun 12-3:30-7:10-10:45 Mon-Wed 3-6:30-10:10 Thu 3:30-7:10-10:45
The Metropolitan Opera: Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (STC) Sat 12:55
National Theater Live: Of Mice and Men - Encore (STC) Sun 12:55
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 4:10-6:40-9
St. Vincent (14A) Fri 1:55-7:30 Sat-Sun 7:25 Mon-Thu 7:05
The Theory of Everything (PG) Fri 2:05-4:50-7:35-10:30 Sat 11:20-2:05-4:50-7:35-10:30 Sun 2:05-4:50-7:35-10:30 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:35-10:30

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Beyond the Lights (14A) Fri-Sun 7:10-10 Mon 7:10-9:50 Tue 8-10:50 Wed-Thu 6:40-9:30
Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 1-4-6:40-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:15-1-4-6:40-9:30 Mon 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:20 Tue 12:05-1:50-4:50-7:30-10:20 Wed-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:40 Mon 1:50-4:40-7:20-10:10 Tue 12:50-3:30-6:10-8:50-11:30 Wed-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:20-10:10
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 12:30-2:15-3:30-5-6:30-7:40-9:10-10:30 Sat-Sun 11:30-12:30-2:15-3:30-5-6:30-7:40-9:10-10:30 Mon 1:20-2:10-4:10-4:50-6:50-7:40-9:40-10:20 Tue 12:20-1:20-3:05-4:20-5:50-7:20-8:30-10-11:20 Wed-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:10-9:50
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:40-10:20
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:50-9:50 No Passes Mon 3:30-6:30-9:30 No Passes Tue 1:35-4:35-7:40-10:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 2-5-8 No Passes Fri-Sun 12:15-3:10-6:20-9:20 No Passes Mon 2-5-8 No Passes Tue 1:05-4-7:10-10:10 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-4-7-10 No Passes Fri 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 11-1:55-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:20 No Passes Mon 1-4-7-10 No Passes Tue 2-5:10-8:10-11:10
Interstellar (PG) Fri-Sun 11:45-2-3:20-7-10:45 Mon 1:40-3-5:15-9 Tue 12:35-2:50-4:10-7:50-11:35 Wed-Thu 1:40-3-5:15-9
Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (G) Sat 11
Penguins of Madagascar (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:40
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 4:20-6:50-9:20

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Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:10 Sat 11:20-1:50-4:40-7:30-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:30-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1:10
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri 1:10-4:10-7-9:40 Sat 1:20-4:10-7-9:40 Sun-Tue 1:10-4:10-7-9:40 Wed 4:10-7-9:40 Thu 1:10-4:10-7-10:40
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 1:40-4:30-7:20-9:50 Sat 11:10-1:40-4:30-7:20-9:50 Sun-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:20-9:50
Gone Girl (14A) Fri-Tue 10:20
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 2:20-5:10-7:50-10:20
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri 1-1:30-2-3:20-3:50-4:20-4:50-6:10-6:40-7:10-7:40-9-9:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sat 11:05-12:30-1-1:30-2-3:20-3:50-4:20-4:50-6:10-6:40-7:10-7:40-9-9:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sun-Tue 1-1:30-2-3:20-3:50-4:20-4:50-6:10-6:40-7:10-7:40-9-9:30-10-10:30 No Passes Wed 1:30-2-3:50-4:20-4:50-6:40-7:10-7:40-9:30-10-10:30 No Passes Thu 1-1:30-2-3:50-4:20-4:50-6:40-7:10-7:40-9:30-10-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Interstellar (PG) Fri 1:20-3:10-5-6:50-9:10 Sat 11:30-2:50-6:20-6:50-9:55 Sun-Tue 1:20-3:10-5-6:50-9:10 Wed-Thu 1:20-5-9:10
Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (G) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (STC) Sat 12:55
Penguins of Madagascar (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 2:10
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 4:25-6:50-9:20

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Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 12:45-3:40-6:30-9:15 Sat 11:20-1:15-5-7:45-10:35 Sun 11:10-12:45-3:40-6:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:20-9:15
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Sun 11:45-1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:10-10:05
Dear White People (14A) Fri-Sat 4:10-10:15 Sun 4:10 Mon-Tue 4:10-10:15
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 2:10-4:55-7:40-10:25 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:10-4:55-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:55-7:40-10:25
Fury (14A) Fri 12:55-7:05 Sat 7:05 Sun 12:55-7:05 Mon 12:55 Tue 12:55-7:05
Gone Girl (14A) Fri-Sat 2:45-6:10-9:35 Sun 4:05-10:15 Mon-Tue 2:45-6:10-9:35
Horrible Bosses 2 (18A) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:25-4:10-7:20-10:15
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1 (PG) No Passes Fri 12:20-12:50-1:20-3:20-3:50-4:20-6:20-6:50-7:20-9:20-9:50-10:20 No Passes Mon 12:30-12:40-1-3:30-3:45-4-6:30-6:45-7-9:30-10-10:20 No Passes Tue 12:30-1-2:40-3:30-4-5:45-6:30-7-8:45-9:30-10 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:30-1-3:30-4-6:30-7-9:30-10 No Passes Fri 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 11-1:55-4:50-7:50-10:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
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Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (G) Sat 11
The Metropolitan Opera: Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (STC) Sat 12:55
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Ouija (14A) Fri-Thu 3-5:30-8:05-10:30
Penguins of Madagascar (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 2:15
Penguins of Madagascar 3D (G) No Passes Wed-Thu 4:40-7:05-9:35
Women Who Flirt (PG) Wed-Thu 2:35-5:10-7:45-10:20
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Big Hero 6 (PG) Fri 12:15-1:45-4:30-7:15-9:55 Sat 11:10-1:50-4:35-7:15-9:55 Sun 11:10-1:50-4:35-7:05-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:50-9:35
Big Hero 6 3D (PG) Fri 2:20-5:05-7:45-10:25 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:20-5:05-7:45-10:25 Mon-Wed 4:40-7:25-10:10 Thu 2:10-4:45-7:25-10:10
Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance) (14A) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:10-7 Mon 4:20-7:20 Tue 4:15-7:05-9:55 Wed-Thu 4:20-7:20
Dumb and Dumber To (PG) Fri 2:05-2:45-4:45-5:20-7:30-8-10:10-10:45 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:05-2:45-4:45-5:20-7:30-8-10:10-10:45 Mon-Wed 3:55-4:45-6:55-7:30-9:40-10:15 Thu 2:05-3:55-4:45-6:55-7:30-9:40-10:15
Fury (14A) Fri 12:30-3:40 Sun 12:35-3:55 Mon-Tue 3:35
Gone Girl (14A) Fri 12:25-3:45-7:10-10:30 Sat-Sun 11:55-3:15-6:40-10 Mon-Tue 3:30-6:45-10:05
Happy Ending (STC) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:25-7:35-10:40 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:45-9:50
Happy New Year (PG) Fri 6:45-10:20 Sat 6:55-10:30 Sun 9:55 Mon-Tue 6:40-10:20
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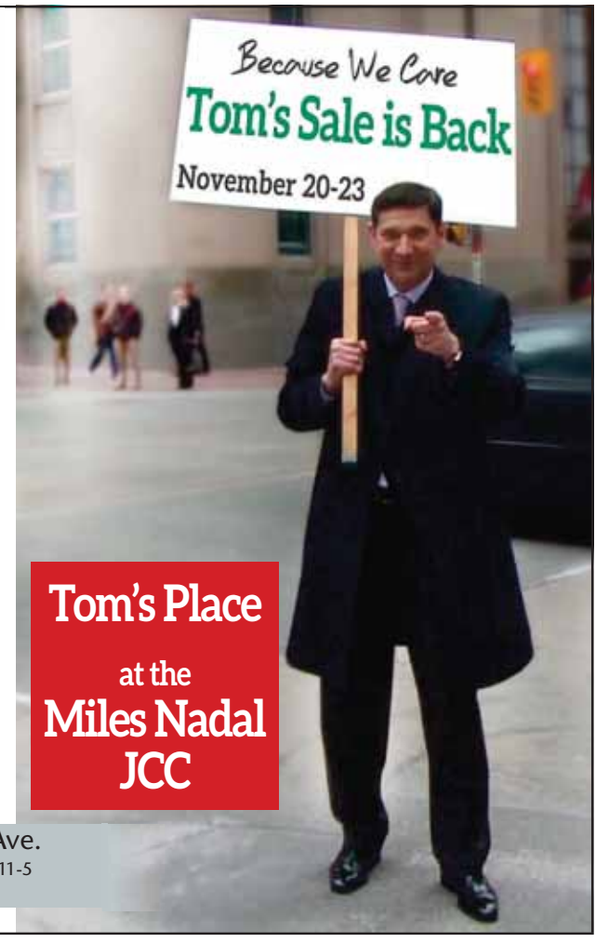

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A gift fit for a gamer

Plug in. Take guessing out of video game shopping

BLAINE KYLLO
For Metro

Everyone has someone in their life who likes to play video games, and games make for great gifts. Knowing what to get may be a challenge. But if you aren't up to speed on the latest FPS or RPG (especially if those acronyms mean nothing to you), we can help.

Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare
Platform: PS3, PS4, Windows, X360, Xbox One
The next iteration of the popular first-person shooter takes place in 2054 and features futuristic weapons, ammo, and armour. For ages 17-plus.

Destiny
Platform: PS3, PS4, X360, Xbox One
In this shooter, players become guardians of humanity, travelling to the moon, Venus, and Mars in an attempt to push back the forces of darkness. While the story mode can be played alone, Destiny is at its best when played with others, and your gamers will play for hours. For ages 10-plus.

FIFA 15
Platform: 3DS, PS3, PS4, PS Vita, Wii, Windows, X360, Xbox One
The best sports simulation available is for soccer. FIFA 15 lets footy fans play in quick matches, engage in complete seasons with existing teams or manage their own team of favourite players. It's great for all ages.

Mario, Peach, and others team up in Super Smash Bros.

Disney Infinity 2.0 introduces new characters and more role-playing.

FIFA 15 is great for all ages.

Super Smash Bros.
Platform: Wii U
The boisterous fighting game, featuring iconic Nintendo characters such as Mario, Peach, Samus (and 37 others), has seven modes of mayhem to keep players entertained, from stamina matches to custom battles to a party game. For ages 10-plus.

Disney Infinity 2.0
Platform: PS3, PS4, Wii U, Windows, X360, Xbox One
The next version of Disney's toy-to-game experience introduces new characters and more role-playing elements to the virtual toy box. Three playsets are available, each with its own unique game: Marvel Super Heroes; Spider-Man; and Guardians of the Galaxy. For ages 10-plus.

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Press start: It's game season

MIKE YAWNEY
For Metro

The holidays are an exciting time to be a gamer. Not only do all the triple A titles hit stores, so do the limited edition consoles, along with a myriad of unique gaming accessories. Here are a few gift ideas for the ultimate gamer on your list.

Glacier White Playstation 4
$469.99
A striking new look for Sony's popular gaming console. This new version features a glossy white finish, a stark comparison to the original black model. In fact, gamers like the look so much, this unique console sells out as soon as it hits store shelves. Despite its new look, the console has all the same features of the original PS4, and can only be purchased as a bundle with the blockbuster title Destiny.

White Playstation 4, $469.99.

Xbox One Limited Edition Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare Bundle
$499.99
Microsoft is not only following in Sony's steps by releasing a white Xbox One this holiday season, it has also released a version Call of Duty fans will love. The new Call of Duty Advanced Warfare bundle features a custom designed console, with unique built-in sound effects. It is also the only Xbox One model to feature a 1TB internal hard drive, double the size of the original.

iPod Touch
$219 and up
Once used primarily for music, Apple's iPod Touch has quickly become a popular platform for gaming. This ultra-portable device features a beautiful four-inch retina display, snappy processor, and more than 250,000 game titles from which to choose. On top of this, the built-in dual cameras give this device many uses.

Playstation TV
$99.99
A tiny device with a lot of potential. Playstation TV, about the size of a smartphone, lets you watch movies, TV shows, and play original Playstation, Playstation 2 and Playstation 3 games on your TV, even if you don't own the consoles. A small cartridge slot lets PS Vita owners play the handheld games on the big screen, plus PS4 owners can stream games to a second television, meaning you'll never have to move your PS4 console around the house again. Important to note, not all Playstation titles work with Playstation TV at this time.

Nintendo 3DS XL, $199.99.

Nintendo 3DS XL
$199.99
While this popular handheld has been around for more than two years, Nintendo has decided to freshen it up with a stylish new look. Three new models will be on Canadian store shelves this holiday season, themed after Super Smash Bros, Persona Q, and the classic Nintendo Entertainment System. The look may be new but the hardware remains the same.

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Slurp on the rustic side

Soup Week. We wrap up a week of brothy delights with this Chicken and Corn Chowder in Squash

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A warm, comforting bowl of soup is one of the best things to warm up to on a chilly day and it's also a great way to enjoy the last crop of the season.

This chowder is a beautiful ways to showcase in-season squash.

This recipe serves four. COURTESY RICARDOCUISINE.COM

Ingredients

Bowls (squash halves)
- 2 buttercup squash, about 3 1/2 lb (1.6 kg) each, stem removed
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) olive oil
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) balsamic vinegar
- Salt and pepper
- 8 slices bacon

Chicken and Corn Chowder
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 stalks celery, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) butter
- 2 skinless and boneless chicken breast halves, cut into cubes
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 6 tbsp (90 ml) all-purpose flour
- 4 cups (1 litre) chicken broth
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) potatoes, peeled and diced
- 1 cup (250 ml) 35% cream
- 1 cup (250 ml) corn kernels, fresh or frozen
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) chopped parsley

Bowls (squash halves)

1. With the rack in the middle position, preheat the oven to 350 F (180 C).

2. Cut each squash in half horizontally to form four bowls. With a spoon, scrape out the seeds until the inner surface is smooth. If the top of the squash is shallower, scrape off more flesh. With a knife, score the flesh in a crisscross manner every 1 inch (2.5 cm) without piercing the skin.

3. Brush with the oil and vinegar. Season with salt and pepper. Place 2 slices of bacon into each squash half. Place on a baking sheet. Bake for about 1 hour and 30 minutes or until the flesh is tender and the bacon is crispy. Remove the bacon and keep aside.

Chicken and Corn Chowder

1. In a saucepan, brown the onion and celery in the butter. Add the chicken and sauté until golden brown. Add the garlic and cook for 1 minute. Sprinkle with the flour and cook for 1 minute, stirring constantly.

2. Add broth, potatoes and cream. Bring to boil, stirring continuously. Simmer gently 15 minutes or until the potatoes are tender. Add corn and cook 5 minutes. Add the parsley and adjust the seasoning.

3. Ladle the chowder into the squash and garnish with the bacon slices.

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Creamy with a Cajun kick

1. In a saucepan, soften onion, squash and garlic in oil about 5 minutes over low heat. Add the broth and potatoes.

2. Bring to boil and simmer, covered, 20 minutes or until the vegetables are tender. In a blender, purée until smooth. Add broth, if needed. Season with salt and pepper.

3. In a small bowl, combine the spices. Set aside.

4. In a large non-stick skillet over high heat, brown the shrimp and shallot in the oil. Add the spices, lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce. Season with salt and pepper. Ladle the soup into bowls and top with the Cajun shrimp. Sprinkle with the pecans.

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Ingredients

- 1 onion, chopped
- 6 cups (1.5 litres) butternut squash, peeled and cubed
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) olive oil
- 5 cups (1.25 litres) chicken broth
- 1 small potato, peeled and cubed
- Salt and pepper
- 1 tsp (5 ml) chili powder
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground coriander
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) herbes de Provence
- 1 lb (454 g) small raw shrimp, peeled and patted dry
- 1 shallot, finely chopped
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) olive oil
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp (2.5 ml) Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped toasted pecans

This Cream of Butternut Squash Soup with Cajun Shrimp recipe makes four servings. COURTESY RICARDOCUISINE.COM

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A fine wine balance

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I come from the Maritimes, so I know my way around a bowl of chowder.

That said, what I love about Ricardo's chicken and corn interpretation is that there isn't a bowl, or, at least not one you'll need to put in the dishwasher.

Serving this chunky wonder from a half shell of rustic squash is more than inspired, it supports the recipe's initial burst of buttery, corn-forward sweetness and makes it ripe for a white wine match.

I know what you're thinking: Vegetables and wine can be a marriage made in Kardashian-land. Here they're a perfect foil for Chardonnay.

Though much maligned by the current crop of Internet-fed wine aficionados, Chardonnay is a multifaceted grape that gets its oak on in some wines, while putting round creamy fruit in the game in others.

While it may sound corny, J. Lohr Estates' 2012 Riverstone Chardonnay ($18.95 - $23.99) from California balances both the wood and fruit elements, making it a fine partner for this week's dish.

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Anthopoulos trusts in Martin

MLB. After signing $82-million deal, catcher Martin all smiles sitting next to Blue Jays GM upon introduction in T.O.

New Blue Jays catcher Russell Martin speaks with reporters at Rogers Centre on Thursday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Blue Jays general manager Alex Anthopoulos has traded franchise icons, pulled off blockbuster deals and signed players to lucrative extensions.

Landing a top-flight free agent by offering more term and dollars than other teams was new territory. But Anthopoulos was determined to sign Canadian catcher Russell Martin, and this week he got it done.

"I think at one point I may have mentioned to the agent, I may have said, 'Hey, just so you know, I'm signing the player,'" Anthopoulos said Thursday. "Just because it kept going back and forth and obviously that wasn't to be arrogant or cocky, I felt we wanted him more than anybody else.

"That's not to take anything away, but we just put so much time into this. And like I said, he's the key to our off-season and he's someone that we really wanted to have."

Other teams were also considering four-year packages for the 31-year-old backstop but the addition of a fifth year helped put the Blue Jays over the top. The $82-million US deal is back-loaded to give the team financial flexibility in the short-term.

"Alex was pretty convinced that I was going to be a Blue Jay and he was convinced early on too," Martin said. "It's always nice to know that somebody really wants you, it makes you feel rewarded for what you've done."

Martin is a three-time all-star who's entering his 10th big-league season. He has some pop at the plate and is a significant defensive upgrade from Dioner Navarro, who will likely move to a designated hitter role if he isn't traded.

Martin has an excellent arm to go with his soft hands and elite pitch-framing ability. He also has Canadian roots — he was born in Toronto and grew up in Chelsea, Que.

Both he and Anthopoulos took questions in French and English at a packed introductory news conference Thursday afternoon at Rogers Centre.

"Ultimately I don't think there is a better place to win," Martin said. "My home turf, wearing a Blue Jays uniform. Obviously that's the thing that any Canadian would say, but it's the truth." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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"As much money as we've spent and the commitment that we've made, you can't feel better about where we're putting our dollars and who we're giving it to. He's a total package as far as I'm concerned. There are no holes in his game." Jays GM Alex Anthopoulos.

Russell Martin's five-year, $82-million deal is the second-biggest contract ever for the Blue Jays, trailing only the $126-million, seven-year deal Vernon Wells got after the 2006 season.

Head coach Dwane Casey has guided the Raptors to a 7-1 start at the Air Canada Centre this season. GETTY IMAGES

NBA. Raptors look to finish historic homestand strong

The longest homestand in Raptors franchise history — seven games spread over two weeks against opponents both weak and strong — ends Friday night against the Milwaukee Bucks.

Toronto has gone 5-1 on the homestand so far, an accomplishment for a group that had its issues at the Air Canada Centre at times last season.

So far, the team has displayed many of the attributes coach Dwane Casey wants.

"It's very difficult to do, to play at home this many games in a row," Casey said Thursday.

"Psychologically it's tough to go through the grind, the monotony of every other day or whatever the schedule was.

"I think our guys mentally fought through that and that's a credit to them. That's what we've been preaching, fight through things mentally, be focused, don't let outside distractions get you out of what you want to do."

The Raptors have, at times, been dominant in going 7-1 so far at home, 9-2 overall.

On this homestand they have outscored opponents 104.5-92.8 and shot 46.8 per cent from the field as opposed to just 42.9 per cent for the visitors.

The most important numbers, of course, are the five wins in six games.

"You just stay focused, we understand that we're playing for something bigger than a seven-game homestand," said Chuck Hayes. "We've got to win these games at home, you've got to protect home."

This weekend, the schedule turns nasty.

Toronto is in Cleveland on Saturday, home to Phoenix on Monday, at Atlanta on Wednesday and home to Dallas on Friday.

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Time for Shanahan to unveil his road map

THE HOCKEY NEWS
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After back-to-back debacles against the Sabres and Predators this week, it didn't much matter whether the Maple Leafs walked all over the Tampa Bay Lightning or got slapped silly for the third straight game.

The explosion of anger and disgust that occurred after Tuesday's 9-2 disgrace vs. Nashville at Air Canada Centre is going to reverberate like an opera in a canyon for some time.

As we've noted in this column before, the new management regime under team president Brendan Shanahan is unlikely to make any rash, sweeping changes in the near-future, but it's imperative Toronto fans see his blueprint for success begin to take shape as soon as possible.

Jonathan Bernier, right, makes a save against the Tampa Bay Lightning in Toronto on Thursday. Go to metronews.ca for coverage of the game. DARREN CALABRESE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

In other words, if you're going to embark on another major rebuild, that's fine, but get on with it: Salvage what you can (mainly, salary cap space) in trades for Dion Phaneuf, Joffrey Lupul and other veterans; send out serious feelers in the marketplace for what Phil Kessel could get you in a deal; keep youngsters like Morgan Rielly around long-term; and find a new head coach to replace Randy Carlyle.

And if you're not going to dismantle the roster, then a dismissal of Carlyle — and at the end of the season, GM Dave Nonis — is the very least that must be done. (Sorry, Randy, but either way, the future in Toronto isn't looking bright for you.)

The thing about the modern-day Leafs is they've never even tried the approach that's worked for true Cup-contending teams such as Pittsburgh, Chicago and St. Louis.

That lack of a traditional rebuild is a cloud hanging over Shanahan as he plots his course for the franchise. He's savvy and has the spine to withstand the reaction from such a move, but to go in the opposite direction and double down on the current group of players seems unjustifiable at this stage.

Arbitration demand

Players' union appeals Peterson NFL suspension

The NFL players' union on Thursday appealed the suspension of Adrian Peterson and demanded an independent, neutral arbitrator hears the case.

In a letter to its player representatives and executive committee obtained by The Associated Press, the NFLPA called commissioner Roger Goodell's punishment "unprecedented, arbitrary, and unlawful."

Goodell on Tuesday suspended Peterson without pay for the rest of the season and told him he will not be considered for reinstatement before April 15 for his violation of the NFL personal conduct policy. Peterson pleaded no contest Nov. 4 to misdemeanour reckless assault in Texas for injuries to his four-year-old son with a wooden switch.

Peterson has said he intended no harm to his son, only discipline.

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Snowvember

NFL moves Bills-Jets from Buffalo

The Buffalo Bills have been snowed out by Mother Nature.

The NFL has chosen to relocate the Bills' home game against the New York Jets on Sunday because of a severe lake-effect snowstorm that has paralyzed much of the region over the past week, league spokesman Michael Signora said in an email on Thursday.

The only questions remaining are where the game will be played, and on what day.

"Due to public safety concerns in light of the ongoing weather emergency in Western New York, Sunday's Jets-Bills game will not be played in Buffalo," Signora said.

Communities south and east of Buffalo, including the Bills' home in Orchard Park, have been blanketed by more than five feet of snow. Snow continued to fall on Thursday, with projected accumulations ranging between one and three feet. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Johnson files for bankruptcy

Lesson learned.
Despite having a $30M contract, the Columbus Blue Jacket is hurting financially, but has vowed to fix problem

Columbus Blue Jackets defenceman Jack Johnson has filed for bankruptcy while earning millions under a $30.5-million contract in his ninth NHL season.

In federal court records, the 27-year-old said his finances have fallen apart under his parents' management. He said creditors and his financial advisers took advantage of him through fraudulent transactions and predatory lending, pledging his contract earnings as security for unconventional loans that he didn't authorize and that had exorbitant interest rates.

Johnson filed for bankruptcy Oct. 7, two days before the team began the regular season. Those filings indicated he owed more than $12 million. For estimated assets, he checked the box indicating $1 million to $10 million.

Johnson, who was traded to the Blue Jackets by the Los Angeles Kings in 2012, told The Columbus Dispatch he was led astray by others.

"I'd say I picked the wrong people who led me down the wrong path. I've got people in place who are going to fix everything now. It's something I should have done a long time ago," said Johnson, who declined to comment further to the newspaper.

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Regretful

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Columbus Blue Jackets defenceman Jack Johnson on the creditors and financial advisers he used to take care of his money.

NHL

Kings defender Voynov charged with beating wife

Los Angeles Kings defenceman Slava Voynov has been charged with felony domestic violence.

The Los Angeles County district attorney's office announced the charge Thursday. Voynov faces one felony count of corporal injury to a spouse with great bodily injury. He has been suspended since his arrest early Oct. 20 at a hospital in Torrance, Calif. He will be arraigned Dec. 1 in Torrance. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CFL

Lions ring in changes by firing Benevides

After watching the B.C. Lions' embarrassing finish to the 2014 CFL season, general manager Wally Buono said changes would be coming. He made good on that statement Thursday, as head coach Mike Benevides was fired after three years with the club. The move was not a shock, as the Lions had a nightmare end to the season, losing 50-17 to Montreal in the East Division semifinal.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Surround yourself with people you feel safe with. A social invitation may look exciting but if it is outside your comfort zone, give it a miss.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
What someone tells you today may seem confusing but if you think about it, you will get the message. Some find it difficult to be straightforward.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
On the work front it would appear that someone has got into the habit of expecting you to do all the work. Maybe it's time to say "no".

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
If you are not 100 per cent certain what you want out of life, you will become the start of next week. Over the next 48 hours your head and your heart will be in perfect harmony.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
It may annoy you that a friend keeps saying one thing while doing the opposite but don't let your anger show. Distance yourself.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You know what needs to be done to make your life more exciting but actually doing it is another thing. The Sun's change of signs will stir things up.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You appear to have missed a chance to improve your money situation. Be that as it may you were right not to take chances.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You have never been the sort to worry too much about what others think of you. You would, however, be wise to take in a loved one's criticisms today.

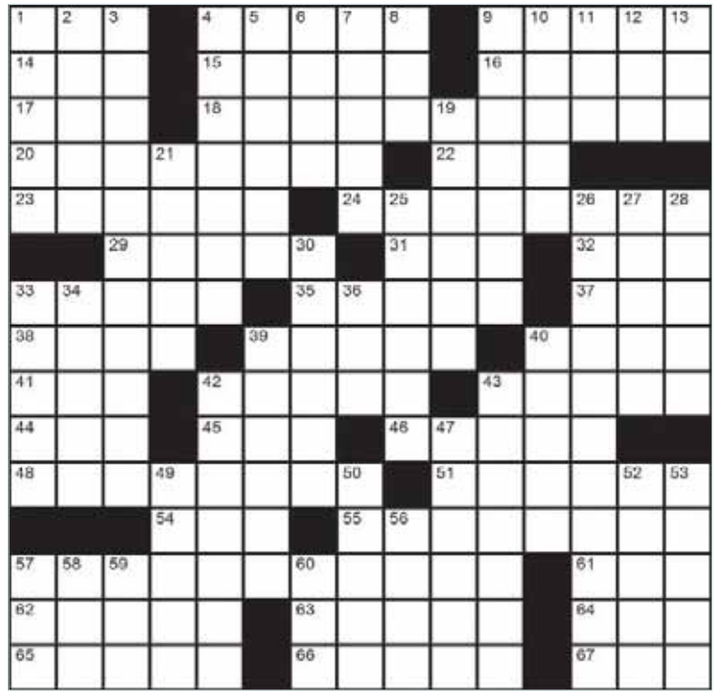
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
With mind planet Mercury linked to Mars today you will at long last be able to put a name to what has been worrying you for days, weeks, even months.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
What takes place today will reassure you that things are not as bad as they seem and some of the more serious problems that have plagued you in recent weeks will no longer worry you.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Keep telling yourself that you will succeed, no matter how difficult the task. The Sun's change of signs this weekend will make it easier to get on top of things without working yourself into the ground.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
If there is something you want to say, now is the time. It does not matter how many people your words may offend, you have a duty to tell the truth as you see it .

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



Across
1. Wine aperitif
4. Duck mascot insurance company
9. Makeup guest expert on "Cityline", Derek __
14. Beatles: "_ __ Mine"
15. Dutch cheese
16. Vary
17. Peacock network
18. Le Refus Global (Total Refusal): Quebec artists (spelling anglicized) of the 1940s such as Paul-Emile Borduas whose manifesto on culture is considered the origin of the Quiet Revolution
20. Glam rocker's makeup
22. Oz musical, with The
23. Silver-getter's placing
24. So Good __-__ Frozen Dessert (Canadian ice cream alternative)
29. Misplaces
31. Mr. Wheaton
32. '60s rocker's jacket
33. Proficient
35. Particular pasta
37. Hour div.
38. Calligraphy tips
39. Lt. Cmdr. Philip Francis __, Humphrey Bogart's role in "The Caine Mutiny" (1954)
40. Mr. Crosby
41. Mai __ (Cocktail)
42. More positive
43. Line: French
44. Auberge
45. Ashtray's li'l friend
46. Smile, bad guy style
48. One of a Flamenco dancer's clickers
51. Intertwine
54. Breakfast bit
55. Ontario town where Honda Civic and Honda CR-V vehicles are manufactured
57. High-speed event captured by a TV news chopper: 2 wds.
61. Wilson Pickett's "__ _ Midnight Mover"
62. Deport
63. This thingy:
64. "How Bizarre" group
65. __ Cup (Golf trophy)
66. Was inclined, like Pisa
67. Mesh

Down
1. Some cards
2. Diffuse
3. Non-garbage containers: 2 wds.
4. Versus
5. Farley Mowat book, The New __ Land
6. Certain chordophone
7. Decorate
8. Ms. Diaz, briefly
9. Lazed on the chair: 2 wds.
10. Audrey's "My Fair Lady" (1964) role
11. Fire dept. ranks
12. Gamble
13. Decade divs.
19. Canopy
21. Curvy patterns
25. Sports team VIPs
26. Citizenship and __ Canada
27. "The Office" star Mr. Wilson
28. Toronto street
30. __ Laurel (Plant that grows in BC)
33. Caper
34. Huntress of Roman myth
36. Wide shoe width
39. Ontario: Bay of __
40. Actress Jessica's
42. More rare
43. Not strict
47. British Columbia city
49. Pastoral-patterned fabric
50. Lake __ (American resort)
52. Like: French
53. Pass, as law
56. "Ooh __ __!"
57. MPH part
58. Prefix to 'moron'
59. Pot's top
60. Nero's 250

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8	2	9	7	5	4	6	1	3
5	7	8	1	9	6	3	2	4
6	1	2	4	3	8	5	9	7
4	9	3	5	2	7	1	8	6
3	4	6	9	7	1	8	5	2
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